
Subject: Call with Dennis Muchmore regarding Flint Water Supply Alternatives
Location: Dial in number [REDACTED] Brom to host
Start: Mon 3/25/2013 5:00 PM
End: Mon 3/25/2013 5:30 PM
Recurrence: (none)
Meeting Status: Accepted
Organizer: Hichez, Amy (Treasury)
Required Attendees: Dillon, Andy (Treasury); Stibitz, Brom (Treasury); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Optional Attendees: Hichez, Amy (Treasury); Cousineau, Sara (Treasury); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)

Confirmed with Wendy on 3/20/13.

Subject: --Call regarding KWA
Location: dial in [REDACTED] --brom to host

Start: Fri 3/29/2013 11:00 AM
End: Fri 3/29/2013 11:30 AM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: Hichez, Amy (Treasury)

Subject: HH/DM/Pastors Overton & Harris Re: Flint Water
Location: Governor's Conference Room

Start: Wed 7/22/2015 1:30 PM
End: Wed 7/22/2015 2:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Required Attendees: Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Wendy Wisniewski (WisniewskiW@michigan.gov)

Subject: HH/DM & others Re: KWA (Flint Water)
Location: Governor's Conference Room

Start: Wed 8/26/2015 1:30 PM
End: Wed 8/26/2015 2:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Required Attendees: Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Workman, Wayne (TREASURY) (WorkmanW@michigan.gov); Saxton, Thomas (Treasury); Dempkowski, Angela (Treasury); Wendy Wisniewski (WisniewskiW@michigan.gov)

Call In: [REDACTED]
Access: [REDACTED]
Harvey will host

Attendees

Dennis Muchmore
Harvey Hollins
Tom Saxton
Wayne Workman -- via phone
Jeff Wright, Genesee Drain Commissioner and Chair of KWA
John O'Brien, Genesee Drain Deputy Commissioner
Dave Jansen, assistant to J. Wright

Agenda Items:

- 1) Financing of new water system
- 2) Governing of the new water system
- 3) Timeline for the build out of KWA

Subject: HH/DM Meeting
Location: DM's Office

Start: Wed 9/9/2015 10:00 AM
End: Wed 9/9/2015 10:15 AM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Required Attendees: Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Wendy Wisniewski (WisniewskiW@michigan.gov)

Regarding: 1) Benton Harbor and Whirlpool; 2) Flint and water filters

Subject: Flint Water Conf Call

Start: Fri 9/18/2015 7:00 AM

End: Fri 9/18/2015 8:00 AM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)

Required Attendees: Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Posthumus, Dick (GOV); Brown, Eric (GOV); Lyon, Nick (DCH); Wyant, Dan (DEQ); Khouri, Nick (TREASURY); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Rospond, Laurie (GOV); Grijalva, Nancy (DCH); Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ); Doyle, Maureen (Treasury); Pallone, Maggie (DEQ); Wurfel, Brad (DEQ)

Optional Attendees: McBride, Bill (GOV)

Call In: [REDACTED]

Access: [REDACTED]

Harvey will host

Agenda

DEQ update on Flint water and elected officials briefing

Dennis Muchmore update

Harvey Hollins update

Treasury update

DHHS update

Action steps going forward (DEQ)

Participants

Dennis Muchmore

Dick Posthumus

Harvey Hollins

Eric Brown

Bill McBride

Nick Lyon

Dan Wyant

Nick Khouri

Subject: RDS/DM/DWyant - Conference Call Re: Flint Water
Location: By Phone

Start: Mon 9/28/2015 8:30 AM
End: Mon 9/28/2015 9:00 AM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: GovCalendar
Required Attendees: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Wyant, Dan (DEQ); Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ)

Per RDS

RDS to call:



- DWyant to host



Subject: RDS/DM/BM/NL/DW - Call to Congressman Dan Kildee
Location: By Phone

Start: Mon 9/28/2015 11:30 AM
End: Mon 9/28/2015 12:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

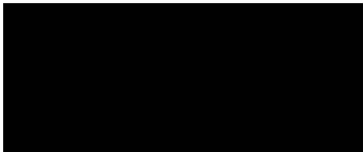
Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: GovCalendar
Required Attendees: McBride, Bill (GOV); Wyant, Dan (DEQ); Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ); Lyon, Nick (DCH); Grijalva, Nancy (DCH); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)

Purpose: Request from Kildee to talk about the lead in the water in Flint

Participants:

- Congressman Kildee
- Jen Cox, Chief of Staff
- Troy Nienberg, Legislative Director
- Jordan Dickinson, Legislative Assistant



Host: [REDACTED] - DM to dial in as host

POC: Jordan Dickinson – [REDACTED] jordan.dickinson@mail.house.gov or Brunner, Nathan
Nathan.Brunner@mail.house.gov

Subject: Mtg on Flint Water w/ Sen Ananich (staff)/DM/DP
Location: Governor's Conference Room, 2nd Romney

Start: Wed 9/30/2015 2:30 PM
End: Wed 9/30/2015 3:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: Posthumus, Dick (GOV)
Required Attendees: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) (wisniewski@michigan.gov)

Attending:

Sen Ananich (he may arrive late or leave early – they are working on his schedule)

Andy Leavitt

Dan Oberlan – Policy

Dave Etenger – Policy

CON: Shawn – [REDACTED]

Subject: DM/HH/Sheldon Neeley Re: Flint Water
Location: Governor's Conference Room

Start: Thu 10/1/2015 10:00 AM
End: Thu 10/1/2015 10:30 AM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Required Attendees: Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Wendy Wisniewski (WisniewskiW@michigan.gov)

Subject: Hollins/Muchmore/Agen/Flint Mayor-elect Karen Weaver + 6
Location: Governor's Conference Room

Start: Fri 11/13/2015 11:00 AM
End: Fri 11/13/2015 12:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Required Attendees: Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Agen, Jarrod (GOV); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)

Attendees

Dennis Muchmore
Harvey Hollins
Jarrod Agen
Stacie Clayton
Mayor Karen Weaver
Aonie Gilcreast, Political Action Chair of NAACP
Woodrow Stanley, Campaign Advisor Former Mayor City of Flint
Rev. Henry Fuller, President Wolverine State Baptist Convention
Rev. Byron Moore, Mayor Weaver's Pastor
Enron Gonzales, Advisor and Former City Councilman
Rev. Allen Overton, Concerned Pastors of Flint

Subject: Hollins/Wyant/Flint Mayor Weaver
Location: Governor's Conference Room, Romney Building, 2nd Floor

Start: Thu 12/3/2015 10:00 AM
End: Thu 12/3/2015 11:00 AM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Required Attendees: Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Wyant, Dan (DEQ); Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Sygo, Jim (DEQ); Krisztian, George (DEQ)
Optional Attendees: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)

Updated attendees list

Attendees

Harvey Hollins, Governor's Office
Dennis Muchmore, Governor's Office
Dan Wyant, DEQ
Jim Sygo, Chief Deputy Director
George Krisztian, DEQ Flint Drinking Water Coordinator
Mayor Karen Weaver
Aonie Gilcreast, Mayor's Transition Team
Allen Overton, Mayor's Transition Team
Wallace Hill, Mayor's Transition Team

From: Clement, Elizabeth (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 3:11 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Re: Mtg RE: Flint Water Issues/other Concerns

And Val

Sent from my iPad

On Jan 13, 2015, at 2:53 PM, Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov> wrote:

Should you and Dan Wyant be in this meeting?

From: Rospond, Laurie (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 2:52 PM
To: Pleyte, Beth (Treasury); 'gambrose@cityofflint.com'; Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); 'Michelle Carnevale'
Subject: Mtg RE: Flint Water Issues/other Concerns

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Thank you

Laurie Rospond
Legislative Affairs Coordinator
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111 South Capitol Avenue
P.O. Box 30013
Lansing, MI 48909



From: Michelle Carnevale <MCarnevale@senate.michigan.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 3:12 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Rospond, Laurie (GOV); Pleyte, Beth (Treasury); 'gambrose@cityofflint.com'
Subject: RE: Mtg RE: Flint Water Issues/other Concerns

Senator Ananich's availability...

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Thanks!

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) [<mailto:wisniewski@michigan.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 3:02 PM
To: Rospond, Laurie (GOV); Pleyte, Beth (Treasury); 'gambrose@cityofflint.com'; Michelle Carnevale
Subject: RE: Mtg RE: Flint Water Issues/other Concerns

Here are the times that Dennis is available:

Thur 1/15 2:30 – 4:30 -NO
Wed 1/21 11:30 – 4:00 yes
Thur 1/22 open - NO
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From: Gerald Ambrose <gambrose@cityofflint.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 4:16 PM
To: Rospond, Laurie (GOV)
Cc: Michelle Carnevale; Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Pleyte, Beth (Treasury)
Subject: RE: Mtg RE: Flint Water Issues/other Concerns

I can make that work. Please advise as to what is needed from me for the meeting. Are you looking for our analysis of the situation and what we are doing to address it? And what type of assistance can we use? Thanks..
Jerry

On Jan 13, 2015 3:30 PM, "Rospond, Laurie (GOV)" <rospondl@michigan.gov> wrote:

Can everyone please hold Wed 1/28 from 2:00 – 3:00. I still need to hear Jerry to see if this time works. That is the only time so far that works on everyone else's calendar. I hope to firm up by tomorrow morning.

Thanks

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From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2015 11:39 AM
To: Pleyte, Beth (Treasury); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Flint Water Meeting

Beth and Wendy,

Harvey would like to be included in the meeting Dennis and Tom are having regarding the Flint Water matter. I believe it will be on January 28. Will you please let me know the details?

Thank you,
Stacie

From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2015 11:55 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Pleyte, Beth (Treasury); Rospond, Laurie (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint Water Meeting

Ok, thank you. I did not see Dick's name on any of the email communications from last week.

Stacie

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2015 11:41 AM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV); Pleyte, Beth (Treasury); Rospond, Laurie (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint Water Meeting

They are Dick's meetings so I'm including Laurie on this email

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From: Clement, Elizabeth (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2015 8:49 AM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Cc: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Re: A couple of things

[REDACTED]. Let me know if there is anything I need to know on the Flint water issue.

Sent from my iPad

On Feb 10, 2015, at 8:46 AM, Muchmore, Dennis (GOV) <muchmored@michigan.gov> wrote:

You'll have to handle these. I'm not here Friday and Wendy's got a schedule issue for Tuesday. [REDACTED]

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Saxton, Thomas (Treasury)" <SaxtonT@michigan.gov>
Date: February 10, 2015 at 6:24:45 AM EST
To: "Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)" <muchmored@michigan.gov>
Cc: "Workman, Wayne (TREASURY)" <WorkmanW@michigan.gov>, "Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)" <wisniewskiW@michigan.gov>
Subject: Re: A couple of things

Darnell's contact information:

Darnell.earley@detroitk12.org

[REDACTED] - direct
[REDACTED] - office assistant Valerie
[REDACTED] - cell

Re Flint water... we should hopefully have something late today or tomorrow. Wayne's guys have a table with the historical rate info you wanted. They are putting together the reconnect \$info. I want to make sure though that Jerry A. is comfortable with the numbers, etc.

[REDACTED]

From: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)

Sent: Monday, February 9, 2015 11:35 AM

To: Saxton, Thomas (Treasury); Workman, Wayne (TREASURY)

Subject: A couple of things

1. I need Darnell Earley's new email and phone;
2. Do we have the numbers on the Flint project: Pre cost of DWSD cut off/Present cost for users? Cost of reconnect on Flint end?
3. Discussion with KWA contractors to get a fix on timeline for construction.

From: Saxton, Thomas (Treasury)
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2015 9:17 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Re: A couple of things

thanks... my recollection is Dennis was pushing for Tues but I am happy pushing it back to later in the week. If you will just check with him.


On Feb 10, 2015, at 8:17 AM, "Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)" <wisniewski@michigan.gov> wrote:

Dennis isn't in the office on Tuesday

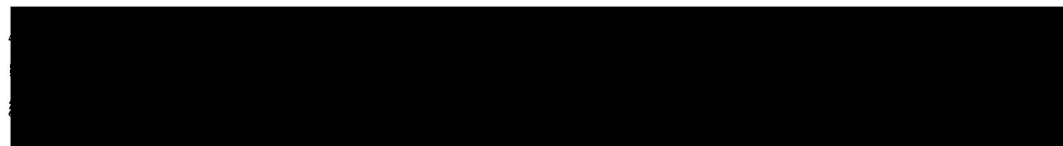
From: Saxton, Thomas (Treasury)
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2015 6:25 AM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Cc: Workman, Wayne (TREASURY); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Re: A couple of things

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From: Workman, Wayne (TREASURY)
Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2015 12:34 PM
To: Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Saxton, Thomas (Treasury)
Cc: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint water

Checking on that. I think I know but will wait for feedback from City

From: Hollins, Harvey (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2015 12:27 PM
To: Saxton, Thomas (Treasury)
Cc: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Workman, Wayne (TREASURY)
Subject: Re: Flint water

Why did the rates go up after the connection to the Flint river?

Best,
Harvey

On Feb 11, 2015, at 12:21 PM, Saxton, Thomas (Treasury) <SaxtonT@michigan.gov> wrote:

Dennis – the attached pdf is the memo & table that hopefully addresses some of the info needs stemming from the meeting with the pastors last week. Jerry A. has looked at this document as well. In terms of key items at this point (that are mentioned in the memo)....

KWA may be hooked up by the end of this calendar year; weather permitting, etc. Even allowing for some slippage that is positive news

Whether you hooked to DWSD thru the county or directly; it is a \$1mm add'l impact to the budget... an add'l 30% increase in rates over existing

They have \$2mm already baked in the budget to fix that two mile 'bad' section of pipeline that might address a good portion of the current issues

They now have an outside consultant on the ground who is suppose to provide some preliminary indications next week to help improve the situation

Don't forget about the \$2mm SRF loan restructuring (which we have not officially put on the table). Those \$s would be available for more system improvements.

Again, sorry this took as long as it did. Let us know if this is what you had in mind or if you need anything else. Wayne – chime in if I missed anything.

See you @ 1:30

<FlintWater.pdf>

From: Julie Skubik <julie@mhealthfund.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2015 9:43 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: FW: Flint Water Situation

Hi Wendy- Per Dennis' request, I would like to set up a meeting with Paul Hillegonds, Amy Hovey and Dennis. When you have a minute, can you please call me @ [REDACTED]

Thank you,

Julie Skubik
MHEF
Executive Assistant

From: Paul Hillegonds
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2015 9:27 AM
To: Julie Skubik
Subject: Re: Flint Water Situation

Yes, thanks.

Sent from my iPad

On Jun 3, 2015, at 9:03 AM, "Julie Skubik" <julie@mhealthfund.com> wrote:

Good morning- Do you want this meeting with Dennis, Amy and you?

From: Paul Hillegonds
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2015 8:00 AM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Cc: Julie Skubik
Subject: Re: Flint Water Situation

Yes. I'm asking Julie to work with Wendy on setting a meeting time.

Sent from my iPad

On Jun 1, 2015, at 5:29 PM, "Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)" <muchmored@michigan.gov> wrote:

Can we meet with you to discuss this?

From: Hovey, Amy [mailto:Amy.Hovey@mail.house.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 01, 2015 2:39 PM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Subject: Flint Water Situation

Good afternoon Dennis –

It was great talking with you at the Michigan Policy Conference last week. I am writing to follow up. I am hoping that we can schedule a meeting with the Michigan Health Endowment Fund to discuss the possibilities of the getting a grant to help with the water situation in Flint. At least some subsidy dollars for the very poor that are paying water bills three times higher than the average citizen in this state. I can make myself available to meet in Lansing.

Thank you for your help with this critical issue. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Enjoy your day!
Amy

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From: Julie Skubik <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2015 3:30 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: FW: Flint Water Situation MHEF Meeting

Hi Wendy-

June 10th at 11:00 am w/ Paul Hillegonds and Amy Hovey. Ok to meet at Dennis' office?
Julie

From: Hovey, Amy [mailto:Amy.Hovey@mail.house.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2015 1:56 PM
To: Julie Skubik
Subject: RE: Flint Water Situation MHEF Meeting

Hi Julie --

June 10th at 11AM would be great. Where will the meeting be held?

Thanks!
Amy

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From: Julie Skubik [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2015 10:59 AM
To: Hovey, Amy
Subject: Flint Water Situation MHEF Meeting

Hi Amy- I would like to set up a meeting with Paul Hillegonds, Dennis Muchmore and yourself. I have spoken with Dennis' office and here are possible dates. Please let me know what works in your schedule.

June 10th @ 10:30 or 11:00
June 23rd @ 10:00, 10:30 or 1:30
July 1st @ 2:00 or 3:00

Thank you,

Julie Skubik

MHEF

Executive Assistant
[REDACTED]

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) [mailto:wisniewski@michigan.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2015 10:26 AM

To: Julie Skubik

Subject: RE: Flint Water Situation

Hi Julie -- It was nice talking with you earlier. Based on our conversation, here is Dennis' availability for those four dates:

June 10th -- 10:30 a.m. -- 1:00 p.m. or 2:00 -- 3:00 p.m.

June 23rd -- 10:00 a.m. -- 2:30 p.m.

June 30th -- 3:00 -- 5:00 p.m.

July 1st -- 1:00 -- 5:00 p.m.

From: Julie Skubik [REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2015 9:43 AM

To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)

Subject: FW: Flint Water Situation

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From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, July 08, 2015 9:54 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: HH/DM Meeting

Hi Wendy,

Is Dennis available next Tuesday, July 14, before 1pm for a meeting in Lansing with Harvey Hollins and Pastor Oscar Overton regarding Flint water?

Stacie

From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, July 08, 2015 9:57 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: RE: HH/DM Meeting

Yes, in Lansing, thank you. Harvey will be there on Monday, July 13, also if that could work (I know the Governor has meetings that day, too). Or, if you have a better time (this Friday) let me know.

Stacie

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, July 08, 2015 9:55 AM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Subject: RE: HH/DM Meeting

In Lansing? I don't know yet. He's travelling to Chicago for a conference on that day but his travel time is changing and I just don't know when he's leaving now. I can let you know as soon as I know.

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Stacie

From: Clement, Elizabeth (GOV)
Sent: Friday, July 10, 2015 3:01 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Re: HH/DM Meeting

No

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 10, 2015, at 11:55 AM, Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov> wrote:

Should you be in this meeting too?

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Sent: Friday, July 10, 2015 3:05 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: RE: HH/DM Meeting

Thank you. Please hold that for me and I'll run it by Harvey.

Stacie

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Friday, July 10, 2015 3:03 PM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Subject: RE: HH/DM Meeting

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From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Saturday, July 11, 2015 5:43 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Re: HH/DM Meeting

Hi Wendy,

Harvey has a mtg in Detroit on Tues morning. He won't be in Lansing until the afternoon so he said the mtg can be another day.

Stacie Clayton
Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 10, 2015, at 3:02 PM, Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski.w@michigan.gov> wrote:

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Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 10:42 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint Water Meeting Follow-Up

Thank you. Can Dennis do the meeting on August 26 anytime between 9-11am or 1-3pm in Lansing?

Stacie

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
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Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 10:56 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint Water Meeting Follow-Up

Ok. I'll contact Jeff Wright and check his availability for 30 minutes between 1pm-3pm. Hopefully, I can get this scheduled today.

Stacie

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 10:51 AM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint Water Meeting Follow-Up

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Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 11:34 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint Water Meeting Follow-Up

Thank you. Harvey said it will just be the three of them. I'll let you know if that changes (Jeff Wright may bring someone & Harvey or Dennis may add Treasury).

Stacie

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K. If it's just the three of them, they can do it in Dennis' office

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To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Hollins, Harvey (GOV)
Cc: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Saxton, Thomas (Treasury)
Subject: KWA meeting

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Michigan Department of Treasury

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Subject: RE: KWA meeting

I will be in LA. Could do it by phone if desired.

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Deputy State Treasurer
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From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 10:16 AM
To: Workman, Wayne (TREASURY) <WorkmanW@michigan.gov>; Muchmore, Dennis (GOV) <muchmored@michigan.gov>; Hollins, Harvey (GOV) <hollinsh@michigan.gov>
Cc: Saxton, Thomas (Treasury) <SaxtonT@michigan.gov>; Clayton, Stacie (GOV) <claytons3@michigan.gov>
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To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: FW: HH/DM & others Re: KWA (Flint Water)

Hi Wendy,

Do you want to fill in Dennis on this meeting tomorrow? See his email below ☺

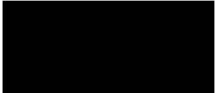
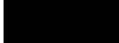
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Subject: RE: HH/DM & others Re: KWA (Flint Water)

Now what?

-----Original Appointment-----

From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 10:24 AM
To: Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Workman, Wayne (TREASURY); Saxton, Thomas (Treasury); Dempkowski, Angela (Treasury); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: HH/DM & others Re: KWA (Flint Water)
When: Wednesday, August 26, 2015 1:30 PM-2:00 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).
Where: Governor's Conference Room

Call In: 
Access: 
Harvey will host

Attendees

Dennis Muchmore
Harvey Hollins
Tom Saxton
Wayne Workman -- via phone
Jeff Wright, Genesee Drain Commissioner and Chair of KWA
John O'Brien, Genesee Drain Deputy Commissioner
Dave Jansen, assistant to J. Wright

Agenda Items:

- 1) Financing of new water system
- 2) Governing of the new water system
- 3) Timeline for the build out of KWA

From: Wurfel, Brad (DEQ)
Sent: Friday, September 11, 2015 11:41 AM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Subject: Need a minute

Chief, need to get your counsel on the idea of scheduling a briefing with electeds on flint water. Can you give me a call this morning?

Sent from my iPhone

From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, September 15, 2015 1:19 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Rospond, Laurie (GOV); Grijalva, Nancy (DCH); Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ); Doyle, Maureen (Treasury)
Subject: Directors' Meeting Request
Importance: High

Greetings All,

I have been asked to schedule a 1-hour phone call regarding the Flint water matter with the following directors for this Thursday or Friday. It is important this internal call take place prior to the meeting with the federal and state legislators that is being planned for Monday. Please respond asap.

Scheduling Options

Thursday, 9/17 @ 7:30am, 10am, 3pm, 3:30pm or 4pm

Friday, 9/18, anytime between 7:30am – 3pm

Participants

Dennis Muchmore
Dick Posthumus
Harvey Hollins
Eric Brown
Nick Lyon
Dan Wyant
Nick Khouri

Stacie

313.456.4994 (office)
claytons3@michigan.gov

From: McBride, Bill (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 11:26 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: RE: Document for Review - Flint Water Plan Support

The price I pay for getting involved ☺

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 11:24 AM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV) <claytons3@michigan.gov>
Cc: McBride, Bill (GOV) <mcbrideb@michigan.gov>; Adamczyk, Lynne (GOV) <adamczyk1@michigan.gov>; Muchmore, Dennis (GOV) <muchmored@michigan.gov>
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Dennis would like Bill added to the conference call too. Thanks Stacie.

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From: "Adamczyk, Lynne (GOV)" <adamczyk1@michigan.gov>
Date: September 16, 2015 at 3:19:18 PM EDT
To: "Clayton, Stacie (GOV)" <claytons3@michigan.gov>, "Kennedy, Jordan (GOV)" <KennedyJ4@michigan.gov>, "Rospond, Laurie (GOV)" <rospondl@michigan.gov>, "Brown, Eric (GOV)" <BrownE15@michigan.gov>, "Dempkowski, Angela (Treasury)" <DempkowskiA@michigan.gov>, "Pleyte, Beth (Treasury)" <PleyteB@michigan.gov>, "Wurfel, Brad (DEQ)" <WurfelB@michigan.gov>, "Pallone, Maggie (DEQ)" <PalloneM@michigan.gov>, "Grijalva, Nancy (DCH)" <GrijalvaN@michigan.gov>, "Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ)" <THELENM2@michigan.gov>, "Doyle, Maureen (Treasury)" <DoyleM4@michigan.gov>, "Minix, Connie (DTMB)" <minixc@michigan.gov>
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Stacie, please have Harvey respond to this letter from Mayor Walling and send me a copy of the response letter.

Thanks,

Lynne

Lynne Adamczyk
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517-373-3400 (o)
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adamczyk1@michigan.gov

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Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 11:27 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Cc: McBride, Bill (GOV); Adamczyk, Lynne (GOV); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Subject: RE: Document for Review - Flint Water Plan Support

Thank you, Wendy. That is correct. And I see Bill McBride has been added to the conference call for Friday morning. Please let me know if you need me to do anything else.

Stacie

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From: Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ)
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 1:48 PM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Cc: Feuerstein, Heather (DEQ); Pallone, Maggie (DEQ); Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ)
Subject: RE: Flint Water Conf Call

Importance: High

Hi Wendy,

I believe Stacie is out of the office but Dan Wyant wondered if a meeting room could be provided in the Governor's office for the 8:00 conference call tomorrow for those who would like to be in person.

Can you please advise and then let everyone know who received the meeting notice?

Let me know if I can assist. Thank you.

Mary Beth

Mary Beth Thelen
Management Assistant to Director Dan Wyant
Department of Environmental Quality
Constitution Hall, 6th Floor South
Phone: 517-284-6712 or 284-6700 (new numbers)
Fax: 517-241-7401
Thelenm2@michigan.gov

-----Original Appointment-----

From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, September 15, 2015 2:33 PM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV); Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Posthumus, Dick (GOV); Brown, Eric (GOV); Lyon, Nick (DCH); Wyant, Dan (DEQ); Khouri, Nick (TREASURY); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Rospond, Laurie (GOV); Grijalva, Nancy (DCH); Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ); Doyle, Maureen (Treasury)
Subject: Flint Water Conf Call
When: Friday, September 18, 2015 8:00 AM-9:00 AM Customized Time Zone.
Where:

Call In: [REDACTED]
Access: [REDACTED]
Harvey will host

Participants

Dennis Muchmore
Dick Posthumus
Harvey Hollins
Eric Brown
Nick Lyon
Dan Wyant

From: Grijalva, Nancy (DCH)
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2015 1:01 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: FW: Flint Water FAQ Document
Attachments: Flint water FAQs.pdf

Importance: High

FYI... this is the document DEQ put together after talking with us....

From: Lasher, GERALYN (DCH)
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2015 12:59 PM
To: Grijalva, Nancy (DCH)
Subject: FW: Flint Water FAQ Document

From: Feuerstein, Heather (DEQ)
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2015 10:59 AM
To: Lasher, GERALYN (DCH) <lasherg@michigan.gov>
Cc: Robinson, Mikelle (DCH) <RobinsonM18@michigan.gov>; Hertel, Elizabeth (DCH) <HertelE@michigan.gov>; Travis, Rashmi (DCH) <TravisR@michigan.gov>; Anderson, Paula (DCH) <AndersonP3@michigan.gov>; Ridley, Nancy (DCH) <RidleyN@michigan.gov>; Rockefeller, Cheryl (DCH) <RockefellerC@michigan.gov>; Colston, Leslie (DCH) <ColstonL@michigan.gov>; Pallone, Maggie (DEQ) <PalloneM@michigan.gov>; Wurfel, Brad (DEQ) <WurfelB@michigan.gov>; Busch, Stephen (DEQ) <BUSCHS@michigan.gov>; Benzie, Richard (DEQ) <BENZIER@michigan.gov>; Shekter Smith, Liane (DEQ) <SHEKTERL@michigan.gov>; Devereaux, Tracy Jo (DEQ) <DEVEREAUXT@michigan.gov>
Subject: RE: Flint Water FAQ Document

Sorry about that. Attached is the corrected version. That sentence was deleted.

Thanks!
Heather Feuerstein
Management Assistant to
Maggie Pallone, Deputy Director and
Brad Wurfel, Communications Director
Department of Environmental Quality
517.284.6715

From: Lasher, GERALYN (DCH)
Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2015 5:12 PM
To: Feuerstein, Heather (DEQ)
Cc: Robinson, Mikelle (DCH); Hertel, Elizabeth (DCH); Travis, Rashmi (DCH); Anderson, Paula (DCH); Ridley, Nancy

(DCH); Rockefeller, Cheryl (DCH); Colston, Leslie (DCH); Pallone, Maggie (DEQ); Wurfel, Brad (DEQ); Busch, Stephen (DEQ); Benzie, Richard (DEQ); Shekter Smith, Liane (DEQ); Devereaux, Tracy Jo (DEQ)

Subject: Re: Flint Water FAQ Document

The answer to the last question on the first page seems to stop mid-answer. Could someone circulate a version with the complete answer please?

Thank you.

Sent from my iPad

On Sep 23, 2015, at 4:48 PM, Feuerstein, Heather (DEQ) <FeuersteinH@michigan.gov> wrote:

Attached please find the FAQ document that was discussed during the Flint water conference call today.

Thanks!

Heather Feuerstein
Management Assistant to
Maggie Pallone, Deputy Director and
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<Flint water FAQs.pdf>



Frequently Asked Questions: **Water Lead Levels in the City of Flint** **September 2015**

How can lead get into drinking water?

Lead detections in Flint drinking water exist at the home level. Sampling at the Flint Water Treatment Plant has shown no lead in its treated water. However, this contaminant leaches into water from a home's lead service lines, lead solder, and leaded plumbing materials including fixtures, faucets, and fittings.

Does the city meet federal drinking water standards for lead and copper?

Yes, the city is meeting state and federal guidelines for lead and copper.

The City of Flint has regularly monitored for lead and copper since federal law began requiring it in 1991.

When the City changed water sources in May 2014, state and federal law required the city to sample for lead and copper for a full year to determine how the water may be interacting with residential lead plumbing to increase lead levels. While the city's results show residential lead levels below the federal threshold for immediate response activities, Flint is moving quickly to optimize corrosion control measures in its water system.

Some individual homes showed high numbers for lead. Isn't that a concern?

For the homeowner, yes it is. There is no "safe" level for lead, and while the leading cause of lead poisoning around the country is lead paint, any source of lead ingestion is worthy of concern.

But the State and federal guidelines for lead and copper acknowledge an important reality: Any home that has a lead service connection or lead plumbing will impart some varying amount of lead into the home's water. The only way to eliminate lead in a home water system is to remove lead plumbing or replace lead service connections to the city system.

The lead and copper rule requires the local operator to sample dozens, sometimes hundreds of homes in the service area to get a general sense of how the water supply is interacting with lead plumbing and service connections. The tests are done specifically at homes with lead service connections.

Are there other ways the city monitors for lead exposure?

The County Health Department, overseen statewide by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, regularly monitors blood levels in children throughout Michigan communities. The leading cause of lead poisoning is exposure to lead paint.

Blood lead level testing results for the 12-month period just after the City of Flint changed its water source (May 2014 – April 2015) showed no significant change in the pattern of blood lead levels in Flint, compared to the previous three years. This data suggests the recent change in water source by the City of Flint has not contributed to an increase in lead exposure throughout the community.

How does the state decide if the water is creating a lead problem?

Compliance with the federal lead rule is based on a 90th percentile calculation. If more than 10 percent of samples report lead above the federal action level of **15 parts per billion**, a water supply has an “action level exceedance.” An exceedance is not a violation. It triggers other requirements which could include public notification, additional water quality sampling, and possibly further treatment.

While some of Flint’s individual samples exceeded the 15 parts-per-billion lead action level, compliance is based on **the 90th percentile of samples**. The City of Flint’s 90th percentile level has ranged between 0 parts per billion in 2008 and 2011, and 15 parts per billion in 1992, but never exceeded the action level.

The two most recent sampling periods, in 2014 and 2015, were 6 parts per billion and 11 parts per billion, respectively.

Did the city use every sample they got back?

Sampling requirements for lead and copper are designed to target the most common pathways to lead ingestion in homes with the least protection. The sample must be collected from a commonly used kitchen or bathroom tap, and in accordance with the provided sampling instructions. Homes that employ filtration or additional treatment cannot be included. Samples must also be collected within the established monitoring period.

I have a lead service connection or lead plumbing. What should I do?

Replacement is the only way to eliminate lead exposure. However, here are some interim steps homeowners can take to reduce it:

Flush pipes before drinking, and only use cold water for consumption.

The more time water has been sitting in your home's pipes, the more lead it may contain. When water in a particular faucet has not been used for six hours or longer, “flush” cold-water pipes by running the water until it becomes as cold as it will get. This could take five to 30 seconds if there has been recent water use elsewhere in the home, such as showering or flushing toilets. Otherwise, it could take two minutes or longer.

Use only water from the cold-water tap for drinking, cooking, and especially for making baby formula. Hot water is likely to contain higher levels of lead.

Who is responsible for replacement of lead materials?

Replacement of service pipes on private property and any lead plumbing materials within the home is a **homeowner's responsibility**. The City of Flint owns the service pipe from the water main to the curb stop valve, and that is **the City's responsibility**. This valve is normally located two feet in from the street curb. From there to the house is private property and the responsibility of the homeowner.

Why doesn't the city at least replace its portion of lead service lines?

Partial lead service line replacement has been shown to mobilize more lead and make the situation worse. Only full lead service line replacement has been demonstrated effective in achieving long-term reductions in drinking water lead levels.

What is the City's timeline for installation of corrosion control treatment?

The federal government allows the steps to complete the installation of optimal corrosion control treatment and follow-up monitoring to take up to five years.

However, the City of Flint has committed to completing installation of Optimized Corrosion Control Treatment in **less than six months**.

What will happen when Flint joins the Karegnondi Water Authority next year?

The City has committed to having Optimized Corrosion Control Treatment in place prior to its connection with the Karegnondi Water Authority (KWA). The water provided by KWA will come from a new source, Lake Huron. The city will continue its lead and copper sampling every six months. Additionally, the city's water treatment plant will continue to operate with uninterrupted Optimized Corrosion Control Treatment.

How long would it take to replace lead service lines throughout Flint?

The city has about 32,900 service connections in total. **More than 15,000** of these connections are considered lead service lines. Even if many crews were contracted, it would likely take up to 15 years to complete this work.

What would it cost to replace the lead service line at my house?

Average costs to replace a lead service line at an individual home range from \$2,000 to \$8,000. Costs vary depending on the length and size of service line that is needed, as well as the ground cover and soil conditions encountered.

With more than 15,000 lead service lines at an estimated average cost of \$4,000 for each replacement, total cost could **be \$60 million or more**.

From: McBride, Bill (GOV)
Sent: Friday, September 25, 2015 5:08 AM
To: Emmitt, Beth (GOV)
Cc: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Subject: Fwd: Request for Phone Call with Congressman Kildee

I didn't realize I responded to Kildees staff also in last message. My point is that Dennis needs to brief Governor

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Dickinson, Jordan" <Jordan.Dickinson@mail.house.gov>
Date: September 24, 2015 at 9:43:51 PM EDT
To: "emmittb@michigan.gov" <emmittb@michigan.gov>
Cc: "rospndl@michigan.gov" <rospndl@michigan.gov>, "mcbrideb@michigan.gov" <mcbrideb@michigan.gov>, "MurrayD1@michigan.gov" <MurrayD1@michigan.gov>
Subject: Re: Request for Phone Call with Congressman Kildee

Thanks you very much for your prompt response Beth. I look forward to hearing from you in the morning.

Jordan Dickinson
Legislative Assistant
Congressman Dan Kildee (MI-05)


----- Original Message -----

From: Emmitt, Beth (GOV) [<mailto:emmittb@michigan.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2015 09:26 PM
To: Dickinson, Jordan
Cc: Rospond, Laurie (GOV) <rospndl@michigan.gov>; McBride, Bill (GOV) <mcbrideb@michigan.gov>; Murray, David (GOV) <MurrayD1@michigan.gov>
Subject: Re: Request for Phone Call with Congressman Kildee

Hi Jordan,
The Governor is going to be traveling most of the day tomorrow, but we work to see if we can find a good time cell-wise and get back with you in the morning.
Thanks,
Beth

On Sep 24, 2015, at 7:05 PM, Dickinson, Jordan
<Jordan.Dickinson@mail.house.gov<<mailto:Jordan.Dickinson@mail.house.gov>>> wrote:

Hi Beth and Laurie,

My boss would like to set up a phone call with Governor Snyder regarding the lead in the water in Flint. He would like to do it tomorrow if possible due to the immediacy of the problem. Please let me know if we can get something scheduled for tomorrow.

Thank you,

Jordan Dickinson

Legislative Assistant

Congressman Dan Kildee (MI-05)

227 Cannon House Office Building

Washington, D.C. 20515

Phone: [REDACTED]

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From: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 11:37 AM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Cc: Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Etue, Kriste (MSP); Sands, Thomas (MSP); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Klotz, Josephine (MSP)
Subject: Re: HH/DM/KE Re: Flint Water

We have a 1:00 with Gov today on Flint. At that time the question is going to be whether we have some disaster or emergency protocol that we can institute to help the city through this water crisis. Any thoughts?

> On Sep 29, 2015, at 11:22 AM, Clayton, Stacie (GOV) <claytons3@michigan.gov> wrote:
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> Call In: [REDACTED]
> Access: [REDACTED]
> Harvey will host
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> <meeting.ics>

From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 12:22 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: RE: Muchmore/Neeley Meeting

Sheldon Neeley is the State Rep. from Flint. They would need 30 minutes. Additionally, on the same day (Thursday) Harvey would like a 1 hour meeting with him, Dennis, Pastor Al Overton, and 3 other Flint pastors. Both meetings will be Lansing (hopefully before 1pm).

Stacie

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 12:17 PM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV) <claytons3@michigan.gov>
Subject: RE: Muchmore/Neeley Meeting

Who is this person and what is it about and how long would the meeting be?

From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 12:16 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewskiw@michigan.gov>
Subject: Muchmore/Neeley Meeting
Importance: High

Wendy,

Harvey asked me to schedule a meeting/call with Sheldon Neeley and Dennis (Harvey doesn't need to be there physically unless it's Thursday). Does Dennis have any time on Thursday morning before 1pm for this meeting to take place in Lansing?

Stacie

From: Rospond, Laurie (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2015 10:32 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Flint Water meeting

Importance: High

Wendy,

Dick asked me to see if Dennis wanted to sit in on the meeting. We are going to schedule today. If yes then I will schedule over in the Romney and work around Dennis's schedule.

From: Keilen, Alison (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2015 10:11 AM
To: Rospond, Laurie (GOV) <rospondl@michigan.gov>
Subject: Phone msg

Shawn w/ Ananich office called to set up mtg with DP, Ananich, Andy Leavitt. Requests call back at [REDACTED]. Mentioned you would know what regarding.

From: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2015 1:54 PM
To: Posthumus, Dick (GOV)
Cc: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Re: Mtg on Flint Water w/ Sen Ananich (staff)/DM/DP

So, what do they want? Who should we bring?

> On Sep 30, 2015, at 10:58 AM, Posthumus, Dick (GOV) <Posthumusd@michigan.gov> wrote:
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> Attending:
> Sen Ananich (he may arrive late or leave early – they are working on
> his schedule) Andy Leavitt Dan Oberlan – Policy Dave Etenger – Policy
>
> CON: Shawn – [REDACTED]
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> <meeting.ics>

From: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2015 12:37 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: FW: Flint and Detroit

Can you set up and include Rich Baird>

From: Dayne Walling [<mailto:dwalling@cityofflint.com>]
Sent: Thursday, October 1, 2015 10:47 AM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV) <muchmored@michigan.gov>
Subject: Flint and Detroit

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Thanks, Dayne

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From: Dayne Walling <dwalling@cityofflint.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2015 2:19 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Re: FW: Flint and Detroit

yes, perfect, thank you!

On Thu, Oct 1, 2015 at 2:18 PM, Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov> wrote:

Mayor Walling -- I left a voice mail message with your office around 12:45 this afternoon and I haven't heard anything, so I thought maybe I should reach out to you directly. I just left a voice mail on your cell but thought maybe I should email you too. Are you available for a call at 4:00 today with Dennis Muchmore and Rich Baird? If that works, I will have them call your cell. Please let me know. Thank you.

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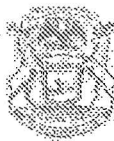
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follow me on twitter at <http://twitter.com/mayorwalling>

From: McBride, Bill (GOV)
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2015 10:50 AM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Cc: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: FW: Flint letters to Kildee, Peters, Stabenow
Attachments: 10.2.15 Kildee.pdf; 10.2.15 Peters.pdf; 10.2.15 Stabenow.pdf

The attached letter was sent to Congressman Kildee this morning.
Slightly different version sent to Senators Peters and Stabenow.



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October 2, 2015

RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

BRIAN CALLEY
LT. GOVERNOR

The Honorable Dan Kildee
U.S. House of Representatives
227 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Kildee:

As part of our ongoing dialogue related to the City of Flint's water, I want to make sure you are aware of the actions taken by the State of Michigan to ensure that the residents of Flint have access to safe, clean drinking water. These actions include:

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7. Expediting completion of Karegnondi Water Authority.
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While these actions will mitigate the risk of lead exposure in the immediate and long term, there are a number of federal regulatory hurdles that impede our ability to further reduce risk. As the federal representative for the City of Flint, I would appreciate your assistance on the following federal items:

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As the situation continues to evolve, I would also appreciate your assistance in the event that additional federal action is needed.

Thank you for your continued advocacy related to the City of Flint's water. I have appreciated the ongoing dialogue and am heartened to have a partner in ensuring that the residents of Flint have access to safe, clean drinking water. I look forward to continuing to work with you on this and many other issues of importance to Michiganders.

Sincerely,

Rick Snyder
Governor



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October 2, 2015

The Honorable Gary Peters
U.S. Senate
724 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

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U.S. Senate
731 Hart Senate Office Building
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Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 10:43 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Today

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From: Rhonda Smith <RSmith@mhsa.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 10:48 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: RE: Today

Should it be Beth or should we reach out to Dan Wyant?

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From: Clement, Elizabeth (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 10:53 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Re: Today

Send them to Nick (Geraldyn is actually taking lead so they may get a hold of her easier). Let me know if you want me to give here a heads up. She is in this meeting.

Sent from my iPad

On Oct 6, 2015, at 10:48 AM, Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov> wrote:

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From: Lasher, GERALYN (DHHS)
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 11:03 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Re: Today

You can tell her that. I am just so captivated by this exciting meeting I can't stand it!

Also am laughing as I look at all the budget staff since and at least four of them must need fake IDs to go to the bar.

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 6, 2015, at 11:00 AM, Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov> wrote:

Hey GERALYN -- Beth said to direct them to you. Can I tell Rhonda that you'll give Pat a call after your current exciting meeting? ☺

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From: Rhonda Smith <RSmith@mhsa.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 11:52 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: RE: Today

Perfect! Thank you!!

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) [mailto:wisniewski@michigan.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 11:05 AM
To: Rhonda Smith <RSmith@mhsa.com>
Subject: RE: Today

Rhonda -- Beth said it should be GERALYN Lasher in Nick Lyon's office. I forwarded your email to her and she said that she will call Pat when she gets out of her current meeting.

Thanks.

From: Rhonda Smith [mailto:RSmith@mhsa.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 10:43 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov>
Subject: Today

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From: Hall, Jean (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 9:29 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: RE: Today's Flint Next Steps Meeting

Thanks. Sorry.

Jean Hall
Executive Assistant
Office of Strategic Policy
Executive Office of Governor Rick Snyder
HallJ16@michigan.gov
517-241-5493

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 9:27 AM
To: Hall, Jean (GOV) <hallj16@michigan.gov>
Subject: Re: Today's Flint Next Steps Meeting

FYI - this is Jarrods meeting and I'll let him know

Sent from my iPad

On Oct 14, 2015, at 9:23 AM, Hall, Jean (GOV) <hallj16@michigan.gov> wrote:

Hi Dennis,

John asked me to let you know that he has a House meeting on DPS this morning at 10:30 a.m. at the Capitol. He most likely won't make it back for the Flint meeting and he has asked Ari to cover it for him.

Thank you.

Jean Hall
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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2015 4:23 PM
To: Adamczyk, Lynne (GOV); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: FW: State Portion of Flint Water Reconnection
Attachments: Treasury Letter.pdf

This came into the Governor's public facing account- I assume it's taken care since DM is on it.....

From: Workman, Wayne (TREASURY)
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2015 3:47 PM
To: Saxton, Thomas (Treasury) <SaxtonT@michigan.gov>
Cc: Khouri, Nick (TREASURY) <KhouriN@michigan.gov>; GovernorsOffice <GovernorsOffice@michigan.gov>; Muchmore, Dennis (GOV) <muchmored@michigan.gov>; nhenderson@cityofflint.com; Stanton, Terry A. (Treasury) <StantonT@michigan.gov>; Ryan, Howard (Treasury) <RyanH1@michigan.gov>
Subject: Re: State Portion of Flint Water Reconnection

He is calling me at 4:00 and I will fill him in

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 22, 2015, at 3:43 PM, Rep. Sheldon Neeley (District 34) <SheldonNeeley@house.mi.gov> wrote:

Please see attached letter. Thanks for your cooperation.

Sheldon

<Treasury Letter.pdf>



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October 22, 2015

Department of the Treasury
State of Michigan

Dear Treasurer Nick A. Khouri,

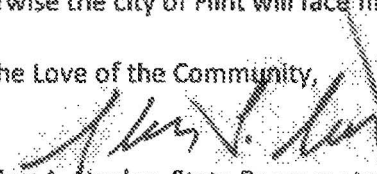
I write to you today concerning a serious matter involving the city of Flint and its switch to the Detroit water system.

Flint prepaid an escrow account of \$10 million for the switch and the state was obligated to significantly assist in this payment. The Detroit Water Authority required this set-up prior to restoration of the water service to Flint. As a result, the city has expended substantial resources beyond their commitment in order to activate restoration of service.

Furthermore, the Ruth Mott Foundation will not release their supplemental funds because they subscribe to the plan of release for state funds.

I am asking you and the Department of the Treasury to release the remaining agreed upon funds, otherwise the city of Flint will face financial hardships even more disastrous than it has previously seen.

For the Love of the Community,


Sheldon A. Neeley, State Representative
34th District

CC: Governor Rick Snyder
Dennis Muchmore
Wayne Workman
Natasha Henderson



From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 11:16 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: RE: Mtg with Flint Mayor-Elect Weaver

Hopefully, before the end of the month. Harvey is good for Nov 13, 19, 20, 24 or 25. If a couple of these work for Dennis and Jarrod, I can then check with Mayor-elect Weaver. If not, do you have dates for December?

Stacie

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 11:13 AM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV) <claytons3@michigan.gov>
Subject: RE: Mtg with Flint Mayor-Elect Weaver

Is there a timeframe that I am looking at or specific dates that you know work for the Harvey or the Mayor-elect to look at?

From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 11:04 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@w@michigan.gov>
Subject: Mtg with Flint Mayor-Elect Weaver

Hi Wendy,

Will you please send me a few dates and times that Dennis and Jarrod are available to meet with Harvey and Flint Mayor-Elect Karen Weaver in Lansing?

Stacie

From: Hall, Jean (GOV)
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2015 2:51 PM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Cc: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: CTS Report - Week Ending 11.6.15
Attachments: 11.06.15 CTS Report.docx

Hi Dennis,

This week's Correspondence Tracking Report is attached.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you.

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Correspondence Tracking Detailed Report
Letters Signed through Approval Process - Week Ending 11/06/15

Department/Requestor	Recipient	Summary	Date Received	Date Approved	Date Signed
CGLG/Eric Brown	Sponsors, members and attendees of the CGLC & St. Lawrence Governors & Premiers 2015 meeting in Quebec City	Cover letter to the <i>Council of Great Lakes and St Lawrence Governors and Premiers</i> photo booklet of the 2015 meeting in Quebec City. As Chairman of the Council, they are asking for a letter from the Governor. Premier Couillard, as co-chair has also provided a letter.	10/27/15	11/05/15	Just required approval
MDEQ	Dr. Susan Hedman, Regional Administrator, USEPA, Region 5	Letter designates Jim Sygo, Chief Deputy Director, MDEQ as the DEQ point person for the USEPA – Region 5 Flint Safe Drinking Water Task Force.	11/3/15	11/6/15	11/6/15

*Letters are auto-penned only when the Governor is in Michigan. Therefore, the date approved and the date signed may differ.

From: Emmitt, Beth (GOV)
Sent: Monday, December 28, 2015 10:41 PM
To: Agen, Jarrod (GOV)
Subject: Automatic reply: RDS call tomorrow on Flint at 10:30am

I am out of the office this week. If you need immediate assistance, please contact Morgan Bedan at bedanm@michigan.gov.

Thank you!

Beth

Subject: RDS/JA/EC/RB - Conference Call Re: Flint
Location: By Phone

Start: Tue 12/29/2015 10:30 AM
End: Tue 12/29/2015 11:00 AM
Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: GovCalendar
Required Attendees: Agen, Jarrod (GOV); Clement, Elizabeth (GOV); Baird, Richard (GOV); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)

Per JA

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Host: [REDACTED] – JA to dial in as host

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) on behalf of Agen, Jarrod (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, December 29, 2015 2:03 PM
To: Executive Office All
Subject: Changes in Administration

Team,

As you are aware, we have been working closely with the independent task force that has been reviewing state, local and federal actions regarding the serious health issues related to water in Flint.

Although the task force's final report is not yet complete, members have made the Governor aware of some interim findings, and there are interim steps the Governor has decided to take immediately in order to restore trust in how we in state government keep residents safe and informed.

As part of this process, Dan Wyant, director of the Department of Environmental Quality, has offered his resignation, and Governor has reluctantly decided to accept it. There are likely to be other personnel changes in MDEQ as well.

I want to thank Dan for his service. He has been the DEQ director since the start of the administration, and previously headed the Agriculture Department under both Gov. Engler and Gov. Granholm. He is passionate about public service and protecting our state's environment.

The situation in Flint is serious and challenging. We will continue to work closely with the task force and city leaders as we move forward, committed to protecting the health of people living in Flint and around our state.

Sincerely,

Jarrod Agen

Subject: RDS/JA/RB - Meeting Re: Flint
Location: Governor's Office, Romney

Start: Wed 1/6/2016 9:00 AM
End: Wed 1/6/2016 9:30 AM
Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: GovCalendar
Required Attendees: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Agen, Jarrod (GOV); Manolakoudis, Virginia (GOV); Baird, Richard (GOV)

Per ALS

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Location: Governor's Office, Romney

Start: Wed 1/6/2016 9:00 AM
End: Wed 1/6/2016 9:30 AM
Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: GovCalendar
Required Attendees: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Agen, Jarrod (GOV); Manolakoudis, Virginia (GOV); Baird, Richard (GOV)

Per ALS

From: Manolakoudis, Virginia (GOV)
Sent: Monday, January 04, 2016 3:24 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: FW: Mtg request from Rich Baird

Hi Wendy,

Rich can do the morning of the 13th or at 3:30pm. He's not available on the 14th but I'm checking to see if he'd be willing to drive to Flint on Monday the 11th. What works on your end?

Thanks!
Virginia

From: Michelle Carnevale [<mailto:MCarnevale@senate.michigan.gov>]
Sent: Monday, January 04, 2016 11:12 AM
To: Manolakoudis, Virginia (GOV) <ManolakoudisV@michigan.gov>
Subject: RE: Mtg request from Rich Baird

Hi Virginia!

Congrats on the new job!

Senator Ananich is at a conference this week. He has time next week, on Wednesday, January 13th or Thursday, January 14th in Lansing or he would have time in Flint on Monday, January 11th. Please let me know if any of the dates will work and we can look at a time.

Thanks!
Michelle

Michelle Carnevale

Office Manager / Scheduling

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From: Manolakoudis, Virginia (GOV) [<mailto:ManolakoudisV@michigan.gov>]
Sent: Monday, January 4, 2016 9:47 AM
To: Michelle Carnevale <MCarnevale@senate.michigan.gov>
Subject: RE: Mtg request from Rich Baird

Hi Michelle,

Just wanted to follow up on this meeting request. Please let me know if the Senator is available for a meeting this week.

Thank you!

Virginia Manolakoudis
Executive Assistant to Richard Baird
Executive Office of Governor Rick Snyder
Office: (517) 241-5621
ManolakoudisV@michigan.gov

From: Manolakoudis, Virginia (GOV)
Sent: Monday, December 21, 2015 4:10 PM
To: 'mcarnevale@senate.michigan.gov' <mcarnevale@senate.michigan.gov>
Subject: Mtg request from Rich Baird

Hi Michelle,

Rich Baird would like to schedule a meeting with Sen. Ananich either this week or the first week of January for a meet and greet and to discuss Flint water.

Please let me know what works best for you.

Thank you!

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From: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2015 9:40 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Fwd: Flint Water Situation
Attachments: image004.png; image001.gif; image003.jpg; image002.gif

If we can do this meeting we should try to include Rep. Kildee himself as well as Amy Hovey.

Begin forwarded message:

From: Paul Hillegonds <Paul@mhealthfund.com>
Date: June 3, 2015 at 7:59:43 AM EDT
To: "Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)" <muchmored@michigan.gov>
Cc: Julie Skubik <julie@mhealthfund.com>
Subject: Re: Flint Water Situation

Yes. I'm asking Julie to work with Wendy on setting a meeting time.

Sent from my iPad

On Jun 1, 2015, at 5:29 PM, "Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)" <muchmored@michigan.gov> wrote:

Can we meet with you to discuss this?

From: Hovey, Amy [<mailto:Amy.Hovey@mail.house.gov>]
Sent: Monday, June 01, 2015 2:39 PM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Subject: Flint Water Situation

Good afternoon Dennis –

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Enjoy your day!
Amy

Amy Hovey

District Chief of Staff
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From: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2015 9:41 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Fwd: Flint Water Situation
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Hovey's card is in the card pile on the credenza.

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From: Hall, Jean (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, April 18, 2013 3:32 PM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Roberts, John (GOV); Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Scott, Allison (GOV)
Cc: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Clayton, Stacie (GOV); Hansen, Rachel (GOV)
Subject: Memo Flint Water System
Attachments: Memo Flint Water System 130418.docx

You were cc'd on the attached memo to the Governor.

Thank you.

Jean Hall
Executive Assistant
Office of Strategic Policy
Executive Office of Governor Rick Snyder
(517) 241-5493
Hallj16@michigan.gov

TO: Governor Snyder
CC: Dennis Muchmore, John Roberts, Harvey Hollins, Allison Scott

FROM: Bill Rustem

SUBJECT: Flint Water System

DATE: April 18, 2013

Governor, this information was compiled by the Department of Treasury.

Summary

In November 2012 the Department of Treasury commissioned the firm of Tucker, Young, Jackson & Tull, Inc. (TYJT) to analyze options for the City of Flint to either remain a customer of the Detroit Water & Sewer Department (DWSD) or to join the Karegnondi Water Authority (KWA) in Genesee County. The purpose of this study was to provide objective analyses to the State Treasurer and Flint's Emergency Financial Manager (EFM) in order to secure future potable drinking water for the City.

In December 2012, staff from TYJT met with representatives from the Department of Treasury and the City of Flint to provide a preliminary report on their findings. At this meeting, five options were presented: These options ranged from the Flint Water Plant providing 100% water, to 100% provision of untreated Lake Huron Water by KWA, to 100% provision of treated drinking water by DWSD, or provision of variable amounts of water from DWSD using a combination of blended DWSD water and Flint River water.

From the presentation of the preliminary report in December 2012 to the submission of the final report by TYJT in January 2013, a number of developments made arriving at a final decision very difficult.

- DWSD provided the City of Flint with at least two modified proposals to consider.
- A debate ensued between TYJT and KWA's principal engineering firm regarding the others' conclusions and estimates for construction of the KWA pipeline.
- The Flint EFM eliminated all options except the 100% DWSD option or joining KWA.

In January 2013, the Office of Financial Review (OFR) provided a comprehensive report to the State Treasurer analyzing three questions: 1) The projected construction costs and why Treasury believed the projections provided by Flint/KWA were acceptable; 2) Identification of the construction contingencies; and 3) Identification of the options Flint will utilize in the event of a construction cost overrun or a delay in construction. At the end of this report, the OFR recommended to the State Treasurer that KWA presented the best future option for future potable water. The OFR also concluded that KWA appeared to be the cheaper option; the quality of water would improve; Genesee County appeared willing to assist the City in securing the financing for their portion of the project; the KWA project could signify the beginning of better collaboration between the City of Flint and Genesee County; and the KWA project had both political and popular support.

Between January and April, intense scrutiny of the various proposals was undertaken by Treasury and Flint officials. Treasury officials met with officials from Genesee County to gain a better understanding of

the KWA project. In February 2013, Genesee County opened bids for construction of the Lake Huron intakes. This bid opening represented the first meaningful step toward commencing construction of the KWA system. The bid was \$3-million less than projected.

In March 2013, Treasury was notified that DWSD had contacted Flint to negotiate with the City to retain them as a customer. On April 12, 2013, the State Treasurer authorized the Flint EFM to join KWA, pending review of any final offer from DWSD. A final offer was received from DWSD on April 15, 2013.

DWSD's final offer provided two options. The first option was for a "supply only" rate schedule. Only water treatment costs would be recovered and DWSD would absorb all other delivery costs. Capital and operating revenue charges would be calculated based upon KWA's usage relative to the entire demand upon DWSD's Lake Huron WTP. KWA would also have the ability to construct and own its own transmission lines.

The second option was a "full service" rate option. DWSD would provide all production and transmission services. Transmission rates would be calculated only on those costs necessary to supply KWA and no additional transmission rates would be charged. Capital and operating revenue charges would be calculated based upon KWA's usage relative to the entire demand upon the Lake Huron WTP.

Independent analyses of DWSD's final offer by the OFR, the Flint EFM, and the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) generally reached the same conclusions:

- DWSD's offer was a framework subject to negotiations and was not a firm offer.
- The offer provided by DWSD was incomplete.
- DWSD's offer did not include a guaranteed rate beyond year one, nor did it limit maximum annual rate increases.
- The DWSD scenarios were based on 40 MGD of service capacity. However, the KWA project provides 60 MGD of initial capacity with potential expansion to 75 MGD.
- DWSD indicates that Flint/ Genesee County would be given "broadened representation," it is unclear exactly what this means in terms of actual control in the decision making processes.
- The DWSD offer relies on a single transmission system and would require the City of Flint to maintain its WTP for emergency purposes. In addition, it would leave Genesee County without an adequate backup supply to meet their needs.
- DWSD's offer included an attachment that listed the rank-ordered options (from cheapest to most expensive). DWSD Scenario 2 is listed as the least expensive option (but it is unclear how the total cost of this option was arrived at). DWSD Scenario 1 was not listed.
- DWSD provided a summary table of their unit costs but how these figures are arrived at was not clear, so analysis proved difficult.

Without specific details from DWSD on this proposal, a true comparative analysis is difficult to provide. As such the Flint EFM rejected the DWSD proposal and agreed to join KWA.

If further information on this issue is needed, please let me know.

From: Emamdjomeh, Ali (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2015 4:41 PM
To: Roselle, Richard (Treasury); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: FW: Letter of Appeal for Flint
Attachments: Neeley Letter to the Governor 01-29-15.pdf

Importance: High

Just making sure you got this ;)

Ali

From: Rep. Sheldon Neeley (District 34) [<mailto:SheldonNeeley@house.mi.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2015 4:02 PM
To: GovernorsOffice
Cc: Posthumus, Dick (GOV); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Clyde Edwards; Kiesha Speech
Subject: Letter of Appeal for Flint
Importance: High

Dear Gov. Snyder,
Please find attached my letter of appeal to your office concerning the City of Flint, a place I proudly call home, and now proudly represent as its State Legislator. I look forward to meaningful discussions regarding solutions to the problems that my community now faces, and appreciate a timely response from your office.

For the Love of the Community,

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SHELDON A. NEELEY

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

January 29, 2015

Honorable Rick Snyder, Governor
State of Michigan

Dear Gov. Snyder,

With the dawn of a new beginning in our state, the city of Flint stands on the precipice of civil unrest. This letter comes as an appeal to your office concerning this proud Michigan community and recent discussions pertaining to Flint's water distribution and management strategies for both present and future operations. Flint has had a long history concerning the implementation of water practices and financial management of its water assets. Our present journey has caused us to take a closer look at our 80-year-old infrastructure and examine a difficult position where we must correct some past and even present challenges, one of which is affecting the people of my community to the point of a fervor over something as simple as drinking clean water.

As we engage these challenges, Flint must revisit the present water revolving loan plans to determine how these current funding obligations will affect water delivery and asset development for the future. It is clear that no significant improvements can be obtained without some supportive concessions. Therefore, I am requesting on behalf of the 34th District, which contains a portion of the city of Flint, for you to consider an executive decision to forgive (in-total or part) Flint's water fund loan balances of \$20,770,336 so that we may effectively apply those funds to rebuilding the city's infrastructure, to competitively obtain highly qualified personnel and provide a more cost effective water delivery system. I understand there has been many requests made of your office to resolve this very serious issue, but this approach will best safeguard the health and welfare of the residents of Flint as well as minimize the potential for litigation against the city of Flint and/or the state of Michigan.

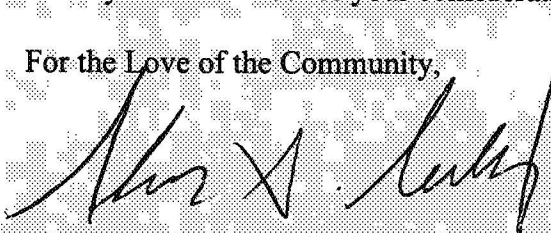
With a cost-effective water delivery system, we will be able to improve our system in the following ways: upgrade wastewater treatment processes, improve safe drinking water upgrades, and maintain and sustain a water system that provides a better quality of water product to the citizens of Flint.

It is imperative that this issue be addressed in some way on the state level. Residents of Flint are already finding themselves forced to take drastic measures simply to have clean drinking water.

Community health could be on the decline as citizens become afraid to even shower or bathe in their homes. The people of Flint bring bottles of brown water full of sediment and other foreign substances to community meetings, asking only to be treated as human beings. That is all I am asking of you - to see the suffering and anger from the people in one of Michigan's municipalities and understand that there is a need to react and respond to this crisis.

With the beginning of a new year to work toward a better Michigan, my office is ready to have discussions on this request and other planning that works to improve OUR Michigan. I sincerely thank you in advance for your consideration on this matter.

For the Love of the Community,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Sheldon A. Neeley", written over a horizontal line.

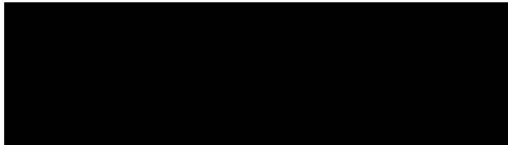
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CC: Dennis Muchmore
Dick Posthumus

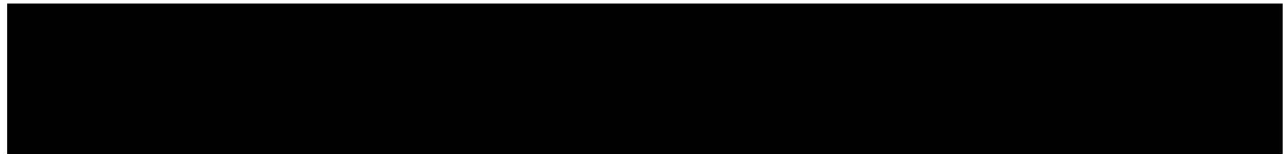
From: Saxton, Thomas (Treasury)
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2015 6:25 AM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Cc: Workman, Wayne (TREASURY); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Re: A couple of things

Darnell's contact information:

Darnell.earley@detroitk12.org



Re Flint water... we should hopefully have something late today or tomorrow. Wayne's guys have a table with the historical rate info you wanted. They are putting together the reconnect \$info. I want to make sure though that Jerry A. is comfortable with the numbers, etc.



From: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Sent: Monday, February 9, 2015 11:35 AM
To: Saxton, Thomas (Treasury); Workman, Wayne (TREASURY)
Subject: A couple of things

1. I need Darnell Earley's new email and phone;
2. Do we have the numbers on the Flint project: Pre cost of DWSD cut off/Present cost for users? Cost of reconnect on Flint end?
3. Discussion with KWA contractors to get a fix on timeline for construction.

From: Saxton, Thomas (Treasury)
Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2015 12:22 PM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Cc: Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Workman, Wayne (TREASURY)
Subject: Flint water
Attachments: FlintWater.pdf

Importance: High

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Sent: Wednesday, September 02, 2015 11:44 AM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: info about KWA from Drain Commissioner Jeff Wright
Attachments: SKMBT_65215090211430.pdf



GENESEE COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE

JEFFREY WRIGHT

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G-4608 BEECHER ROAD, FLINT, MI 48532
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 2, 2015

TO: Dennis Muchmore, Chief of Staff, State of Michigan, Office of the Governor
Harvey Hollins III, Director, Office of Urban Initiatives, State of Michigan

FROM: Jeff Wright, Drain Commissioner, Genesee County

SUBJECT: Karegnondi Water Authority
Fact Sheets

Gentlemen,

Find enclosed 3 items as promised at our meeting of August 26, 2015.

1. Original Fact Sheet
DWSD vs. KWA: 5/1/12
2. KWA Fact Sheet: 9/1/15
3. DWSD Cost of Water

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me directly at 810-287-1925.

VIA EMAIL: jeff.wright@genesee-mi.gov harvey.hollins@state.mi.gov dennis.muchmore@state.mi.gov

Fact Sheet
City of Flint
DWSD versus KWA

- Issue: City of Flint joining Karegnondi Water Authority and leaving City of Detroit water system
- Fact: Both the City of Flint and City of Detroit operate their water system via enterprise funds. The water fund does not impact either community's general fund. Leaving the water system will not impact the general fund.
- Fact: The City of Flint is a suburban customer of Detroit. If Flint leaves, it only impacts the suburban customer rate, not Detroit's.
- Fact: Detroit's own plan calls for (latest available estimate) \$1.2 billion dollar improvements to supply redundancy to Flint. If Flint leaves, Detroit avoids this construction cost.
- Fact: Detroit and DWSD have experienced bond rating decreases in recent months. If Flint leaves, DWSD avoids a new bond issue and eliminates a capital project from its master plan improving its financial outlook.
- Fact: Delivering water to Flint from DWSD is expensive. If Flint leaves, DWSD can reduce its operating and maintenance costs to its contracted customers.
- Fact: DWSD has a limited capacity for water treatment and delivery. If Flint leaves, the City can resell that volume to other customers.
- Fact: DWSD has multiple drinking water treatment plants. Some are more expensive to operate and maintain than others. Without a commitment to Flint, its largest customer other than the City of Detroit, DWSD may choose to discontinue operation of one or more of its current facilities and realize significant cost reductions to the overall system.
- Fact: Flint is not part of the DWSD sewer system. The City of Flint leaving has no impact on the sewer system.
- Fact: The creation of the KWA system will create over 1,000 construction jobs in Michigan. Design and construction of the system will take 42 months from July 2012 through December 2015.
- Fact: KWA is offering a fixed rate for capital to its customers. Flint joining KWA will give the City a stable rate for upwards of 20 years.
- Fact: KWA will offer raw water to the region. Raw water is not enhanced with chemicals, which is undesirable to agribusiness.
- Fact: The I-69 corridor/I-75 corridor crosses in Flint. Along with CN and CSX and the pipeline aerotropolis, Flint can be a major transportation center for agribusiness. KWA can provide two products for agribusiness: potable and process (raw) water, and wastewater treatment facilities.

Fact: DWSD does not serve the Thumb region. KWA with its partners will be able to serve both the population with its basic needs: drinking water and the businesses with large quantities of process (raw) water.

Fact: DWSD is the only water supplier for over 4 million residents of the state. The creation of the KWA will create a second water supply system thereby reducing the impact of terrorist attacks on water supplies. With a mutual aid agreement between DWSD and KWA, the system could complement each other.

Fact: DWSD does not provide water supply to major portions of the KWA service area. KWA will provide local municipalities in the thumb region with an alternative water supply to the Arsenic impacted well systems.

In addition, local communities can replace groundwater systems with KWA surface water system and thereby improve local groundwater levels.

The KWA system will provide fire protection service to regions currently not served.

Fact: The current DWSD water system has over 20% water loss in its system. KWA's water supply is expected to have less than a 5% water loss. KWA will provide a more effective use of the waters of the state.

Fact: KWA provides redundant water supply to Flint. Currently, DWSD only provides a single source to Flint. KWA provides multiple supply sources to Flint at a fraction of the cost.

Fact: KWA has offered to purchase excess infrastructure from DWSD. If Flint leaves, Detroit has 25 miles of watermain it no longer needs. KWA has offered to purchase the pipeline and enter into a long-term arrangement for purchase of water from DWSD.

Fact: Each incorporating municipality in KWA will pay the same rate for raw water; therefore, each community will set its own treatment standards and exert local control of the cost of water it provides to its citizens.

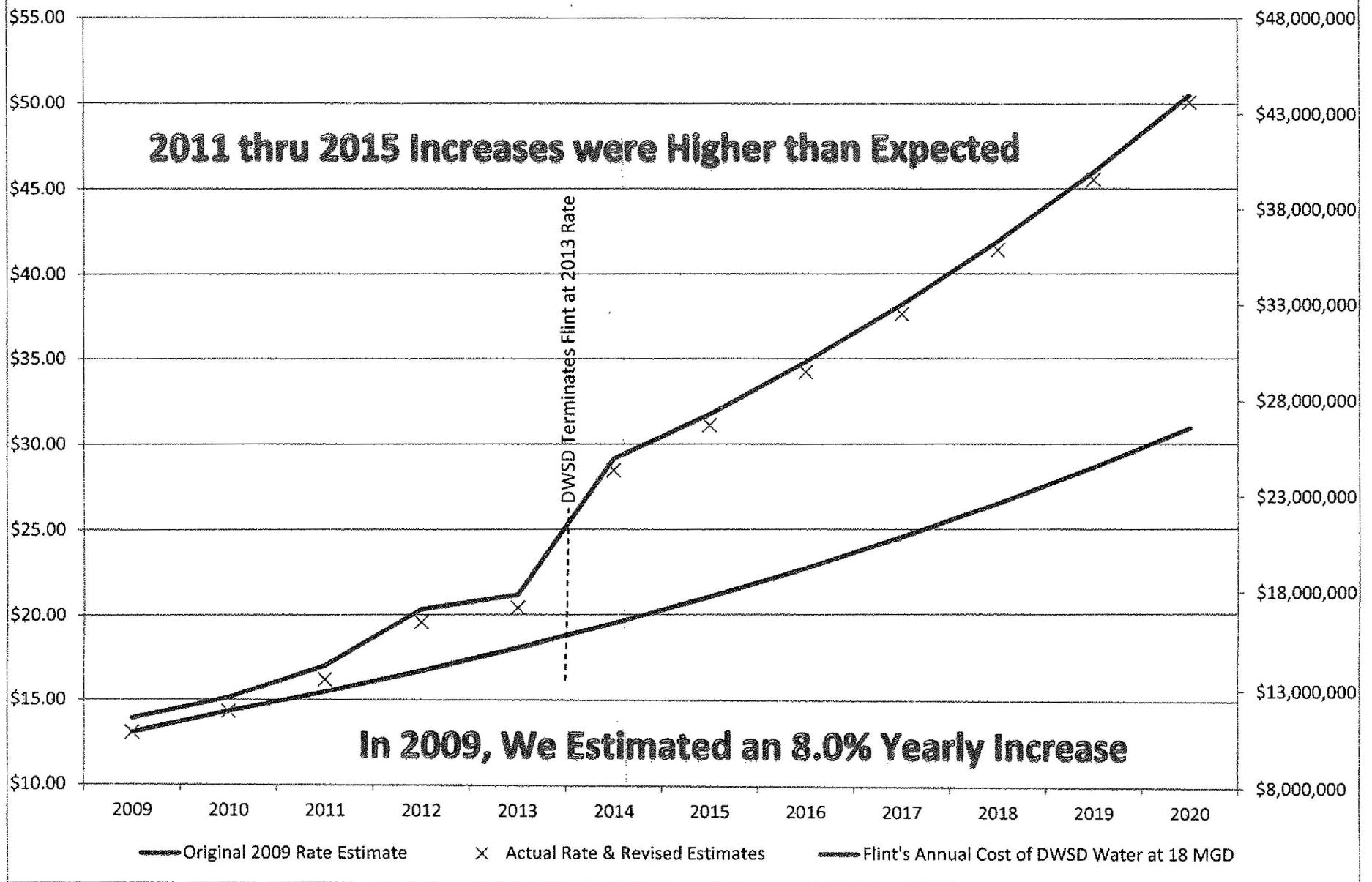
Fact: Lapeer and Sanilac Counties are facing depletion of their groundwater supplies.

Karegnondi Water Authority (KWA) Fact Sheet

- KWA is incorporated by the State of Michigan, comprised of the City of Flint, City of Lapeer, Genesee County, Lapeer County, and Sanilac County.
- As specified in its Articles of Incorporation, each of these constituent municipalities has one representative to the board – specifically the Mayors or their designees of the 2 cities (Flint and Lapeer), the Drain Commissioners or their designees from each of the counties (Sanilac, Lapeer, and Genesee).
- KWA will deliver raw water to customer utilities.
- Each governmental unit will still own and operate their respective treatment and distribution systems. GCDC will have no jurisdiction over the City of Flint water. Flint will have all franchise rights for sale and treatment of water from KWA within the City of Flint.
- Each community that obligates itself to the debt for construction of the KWA infrastructure pipeline, intake and pump stations, receives commensurate voting membership to the board.
- Flint's debt obligation is based on the volume as selected by the city.
- Additional members are appointed by their respective communities.
- All board members serve without compensation.
- KWA will operate with 5 to 7 full-time equivalent employees. KWA will contract its labor force.
- To date, only the City of Flint and Genesee County have bought capacity in the project.
- Once KWA water is available, each community receiving untreated Lake Huron water from KWA will pay a share of the operating costs, i.e.: electricity, labor, maintenance, and chemicals in proportion to the volume of water they receive.

- KWA has created a capacity of 60 million gallons per day (mg).
- Flint has purchased 18.0 mgd. Genesee County has purchased 42 mgd. Each purchaser pays based on their purchased capacity. The total project cost will be divided by 60 (total capacity) and each purchaser, Flint and Genesee, will pay the same price per unit.
- The operation and maintenance cost will also be charged based upon the volume purchased annually.
- If a community exceeds capacity, it must either purchase or rent capacity from a community with excess.
- There exists a 30 day rolling average, which will determine if any community exceeds purchased capacity. Water volume purchased for capacity purposes will be calculated on the basis of a 30-day average.
- Capital costs for Flint will be a flat rate of approximately \$6.8 million over 30 years.
- To date, KWA is below its construction cost projection of \$274 million.
- 90 percent of the KWA pipeline route is constructed along public right of ways.
- Any land required, that was outside the road right-of-way, was purchased from the original land owners, not a 3rd party short-term owner.
- All KWA construction contracts have been publically and competitively bid.
- No tax dollars, (Federal, State, or Local) are being used to fund this project. All project costs for KWA are being paid by the Flint and Genesee County water users.

DWSD Cost of Water to Flint in \$/MCF & Annually



From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 3:02 PM
To: Rospond, Laurie (GOV); Pleyte, Beth (Treasury); 'gambrose@cityofflint.com'; 'Michelle Carnevale'
Subject: RE: Mtg RE: Flint Water Issues/other Concerns

Here are the times that Dennis is available:

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Tom Saxton
Dick Posthumus
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Thank you

Laurie Rospond
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George W. Romney Building, 2nd Floor
111 South Capitol Avenue
P.O. Box 30013
Lansing, MI 48909
(517) 241-5163

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, January 20, 2015 1:40 PM
To: Hall, Jean (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint Water

Of Jean's times:

Dennis can do January 26th - 1:00 – 1:30 or 4:30 (Beth is out of country)
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Subject: RE: Flint Water Meeting

They are Dick's meetings so I'm including Laurie on this email

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Beth and Wendy,

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Thank you,
Stacie

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2015 4:53 PM
To: Emamdjomeh, Ali (GOV)
Subject: RE: Letter of Appeal for Flint

THanks

From: Emamdjomeh, Ali (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2015 4:41 PM
To: Roselle, Richard (Treasury); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
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Importance: High

Just making sure you got this :)

Ali

From: Rep. Sheldon Neeley (District 34) [<mailto:SheldonNeeley@house.mi.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2015 4:02 PM
To: GovernorsOffice
Cc: Posthumus, Dick (GOV); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Clyde Edwards; Kiesha Speech
Subject: Letter of Appeal for Flint
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Dear Gov. Snyder,
Please find attached my letter of appeal to your office concerning the City of Flint, a place I proudly call home, and now proudly represent as its State Legislator. I look forward to meaningful discussions regarding solutions to the problems that my community now faces, and appreciate a timely response from your office.

For the Love of the Community,

Sheldon Neeley, State Representative
34th District - Flint
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From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, February 03, 2015 3:32 PM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Subject: RE: DM/HH/DM Meeting with Flint Ministers

I think so. I'm assuming he was looking at it on his ipad while he was in the last meeting and didn't see that it was here in Lansing and not Flint.

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Sent: Tuesday, February 03, 2015 3:31 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: Re: DM/HH/DM Meeting with Flint Ministers

All good?

Stacie Clayton
Sent from my iPhone

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> From: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
> Sent: Tuesday, February 03, 2015 3:07 PM
> To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
> Cc: Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Murray, David (GOV); Wisniewski, Wendy
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> Subject: Re: DM/HH/DM Meeting with Flint Ministers

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>> On Feb 3, 2015, at 12:05 PM, Clayton, Stacie (GOV) <claytons3@michigan.gov> wrote:

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>> Attendees
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>> Harvey Hollins
>> David Murray
>> Rep. Sheldon Neely
>> Pastor David Gailbraith, Michigan Prophetic Voices Rev. Alfred
>> Harris, President of Concerned Pastors of Flint Rev. Ira Edwards
>> Pastor Latrelle Holmes Pastor Daniel Moore, Shiloh Missionary Baptist
>> Church Pastor Byron Moore, Vernon Chapel Superintendent Chris Martin,
>> Cathedral of Faith Bishop Bernadel Jefferson, Faith Deliverance
>> Center Pastor Rodney Ellison

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And Tom Saxton will be attending. We're finishing up the Flint press conference now.

Stacie Clayton
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> Ok Also I just received a text adding about 8 more pastors. I'm moving it to the Cabinet Room.

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Dennis said to go ahead with Beth C. covering the meeting. I talked to your Beth this morning and gave her available days and times for both meetings. So the process is moving. ☺

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thanks... my recollection is Dennis was pushing for Tues but I am happy pushing it back to later in the week. If you will just check with him.

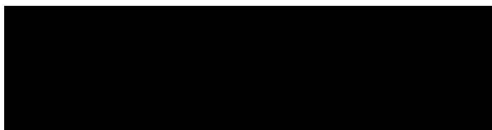
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To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Subject: FW: Flint water
Attachments: FlintWater.pdf

Importance: High

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To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Cc: Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Workman, Wayne (TREASURY)
Subject: Flint water
Importance: High

Dennis – the attached pdf is the memo & table that hopefully addresses some of the info needs stemming from the meeting with the pastors last week. Jerry A. has looked at this document as well. In terms of key items at this point (that are mentioned in the memo)....

KWA may be hooked up by the end of this calendar year; weather permitting, etc. Even allowing for some slippage that is positive news

Whether you hooked to DWSD thru the county or directly; it is a \$1mm add'l impact to the budget... an add'l 30% increase in rates over existing

They have \$2mm already baked in the budget to fix that two mile 'bad' section of pipeline that might address a good portion of the current issues

They now have an outside consultant on the ground who is suppose to provide some preliminary indications next week to help improve the situation

Don't forget about the \$2mm SRF loan restructuring (which we have not officially put on the table). Those \$s would be available for more system improvements.

Again, sorry this took as long as it did. Let us know if this is what you had in mind or if you need anything else. Wayne – chime in if I missed anything.

See you @ 1:30



RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY
LANSING

R. KEVIN CLINTON
STATE TREASURER

DATE: February 11, 2015
TO: Tom Saxton, Chief Deputy Treasurer
FROM: Wayne Workman, Deputy State Treasurer
SUBJECT: City of Flint Water Rates

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Wayne Workman", written over the "FROM:" line of the letterhead.

Attached and below is information regarding the increase in water and sewer rates for the City of Flint since 2010.

- The data shows the significant deficit position of the water fund which was not rectified until 2013 when water rates were increased by 26%. The data also shows the lack of capital investment for a system as old as Flint.
- This condition is acknowledged in the City's recently adopted Capital Improvements Plan which identified approximately \$50M in needed capital improvements over the next several years. This deficiency was also noted in the rate study commissioned by the City of Flint in 2014.
- According to the City, if Flint reconnected to DWSD for the next 18 months, the estimated monthly cost would be more than \$1M per month totaling approximately \$18M. This includes a fixed monthly charge of \$846,700 plus the cost of actual water usage, minus the cost of operational expenditures at the Water Treatment Plant. Even with the elimination of future capital improvements, most of the additional cost would need to be funded with an additional increase to existing rates. Such an increase could approach 30%.
- The option of purchasing DWSD water from the County would be on parity with purchasing water directly from DWSD.
- The KWA previously advised the City that the connection to KWA may take place in mid-2016, but has now stated that weather conditions permitting, the connection could be made as early as December 2015.
- The \$8M capital costs to upgrade the Water Treatment Plant was made to be able to treat both river water and KWA water. This upgrade has been funded with the cost reduction in operating costs achieved by not buying water from DWSD during the interim period.
- As you are aware, the City has retained Veolia as an outside water consultant to assist in maintaining the safety and improving the quality of water produced by its water system, and their initial analysis is due to be completed within the next two weeks. In addition, the City's current budget includes \$2M for replacement of a 2-mile pipeline segment that is anticipated to significantly address some of the current water issues.

Average monthly bill in 2015 - note that water and sewer are not billed separately; the charges are included within the same bill regardless of water usage.

Water service charge	\$22.90
Sewer service charge	<u>\$34.48</u>
Total service charge	\$57.38

Per unit rate:

Water	\$ 7.92
Sewer	<u>\$ 5.17</u>
Total per unit	\$13.09

Average family of four uses 7 units per month.

Their bill for usage would be: $7 \times 13.09 = 91.63$ + 57.38 service charge = \$149.

If additional information is desired, please let me know.

City of Flint Water Rate History

Year (Date Effective)	Average Monthly Water/Sewer Bill*	Percentage Change in Water/Sewer Rates	Water Fund** Total Operating Revenue	Water Fund** Unrestricted Net Position	Water Fund** Capital Improvements
2010	\$64	12%	\$31,956,754	-\$5,795,973	\$2,091,160
1/15/2011	\$82	29%	\$36,762,663	-\$12,443,265	\$1,403,916
9/16/2011	\$111	35%			
7/1/2012	\$111	26%	\$44,854,439	-\$8,758,091	\$755,681
2013	\$140	0%	\$49,903,868	\$834,447	\$147,462
07/01/13 to 06/30/14	\$140	0%	\$43,552,152	\$760,745	\$3,301,700
07/01/14 to 06/30/15	\$149***	6%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Note* Water rate information is based on average usage of 7 units per month with a 5/8" residential remote meter.					
Note** Water fund information was compiled from the City of Flint's CAFR filed with the Michigan Department of Treasury.					
Note*** Billing breakdown contained in attached memo.					

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2015 12:18 PM
To: Storberg, Ann Marie (TREASURY)
Cc: Harden, Carolyn (GOV)
Subject: FW: City of Flint EM Transition Plan for Next Week - 4/24/15 Draft Materials and Communication Plan
Attachments: Flint_RTAB Comms Plan.doc; Flint Exit Letter.docx; Flint Final Order 4-24-15.docx; Flint EM Termination Letter.doc; Flint RTAB Appointment Letter.doc

Can you unrestrict the letters so that we can change the letterhead. They are all on Treasury letterhead

Dennis & Beth,

On Wednesday, April 29th, the City of Flint's Emergency Manager (EM), Jerry Ambrose, is expected to issue a determination that the financial emergency in the city has been rectified. He will also recommend that a Receivership Transition Advisory Board (RTAB) be appointed in the city.

Listed below and attached for your review are the draft documents necessary to transition Flint from EM status to a RTAB, *as is the communications plan for April 29th and April 30th.*

- Communication plan for Flint RTAB announcement
- Letter from the EM determining the financial emergency in the city has been rectified
- EM's Final Order
- Termination letter
- RTAB appointment letter

The proposed schedule for Wednesday, April 29th and Thursday, April 30th – items listed in order of occurrence:

1. On April 29th – EM Jerry Ambrose issues letter to Governor declaring the financial emergency in the city has been rectified.
2. On April 30th, EM Jerry Ambrose issues final order outlining duties of the mayor, city council and soon-to-be-appointed RTAB, effective immediately. This needs some type of time stamp, either through the Clerk or by transmitting it in an email. Jerry to notify Treasury of issuance.
3. ONLY AFTER NOTIFICATION OF FINAL ORDER BEING ISSUED - Governor's Office issues termination letter to Jerry Ambrose. A draft copy of the letter is attached for your review. Transmittal of signed letter by email to include a time stamp.
4. AFTER CONFIRMATION OF TERMINATION LETTER BEING SENT - Governor's Appointments Office transmits appointment letter for RTAB. A draft copy of the letter is attached for your review.

Summary of Governor's Transition Advisory Board Appointment Letter –

The Governor's letter appointing the RTAB contains the following requirements: enforcement of the requirements contained in the EM's final order; recommendation of modifications or termination of the EM's final order; formal evaluation of the City's financial and operational progress and sharing of that information with city officials, residents and stakeholders. The letter also contains conditions which must be satisfied before receivership is waived. These are

implementing the Financial Officials Association best practices; implement charter amendments consistent with applicable model charters, and completion of financial and managerial training by city officials.

Pursuant to the Communication Plan, a press avail is scheduled for 1:00 pm on Thursday, April 30th.

Please do not hesitate to let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.

Ann Storberg

Senior Advisor to State Treasurer
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Communication Plan for Flint RTAB Announcement

On Thursday, April 30, 2015, Gov. Snyder will announce that the financial emergency in the city of Flint has been sufficiently resolved and that he is appointing a Receivership Transition Advisory Board (RTAB) to help ensure a smooth transition to local control and guide the city to continued financial stability. DRAFT

Wednesday, April 29 approx. 3:00 p.m.

- EM Jerry Ambrose sends a letter to Gov. Snyder, indicating he has determined the financial emergency in Flint to be sufficiently rectified and recommending appointment of a Receivership Transition Advisory Board (RTAB), pursuant to Public Act 436 of 2012.
- Treasury Comms issues press advisory for Thursday press avail.

Thursday, April 30 approx. 9:00 a.m.

- Jerry Ambrose discusses final order with Mayor and City Council (individually). The Final Order outlines authority of the Mayor, City Council, and the RTAB.

Approx. 10:00 a.m.

- Jerry Ambrose issues Final Order (Order needs a time stamp, via City Clerk or e-mail)...notifies Treasury of issuance.
- Dep. Treasurer Workman, Ambrose & Mayor Walling speak with Ron Fonger, Flint Journal, under embargo until 12:45 p.m.

10:30 a.m.

- Following notification from Treasury that the final order has been issued, Governor's Office sends **termination letter** to EM (emailed to include time stamp).

11:00 a.m.

- Following confirmation that the Governor's **termination letter** has been sent, Governor's Appointments Office sends **Flint RTAB appointment letter**.

11:30 a.m.

- Governor's Legislative Office (Dick) contacts SML, Speaker, and Flint legislators (Sen. Ananich and Reps. Neely and Phelps) and Governor's Comms contacts Leg. Comms.
- Governor's Office (Harvey) and Jerry Ambrose contact stakeholders.

Suggested message: *"Gov. Snyder will today, announce that Jerry Ambrose has concluded his work as EM in the City of Flint and that the Governor will appoint a Receivership Transition Advisory Board (RTAB) to ensure a smooth transition to local control and guide the city to continued financial stability."*

1:00 p.m.

- Deputy State Treasurer Wayne Workman, Jerry Ambrose, Mayor Walling, CC President Josh Freeman, and members of the RTAB hold press avail at Flint City Hall to announce the Governor agrees with Ambrose's determination and appointment of RTAB and to discuss EM's accomplishments, final order, role of RTAB, etc.
- E-mail communication to ALL Flint city staff from JA & DW.

DRAFT

April 29, 2015

Honorable Rick Snyder
Governor of Michigan
111 South Capitol Avenue
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Governor Snyder:

The City of Flint has been in a state of receivership since your declaration of a financial emergency in November 2011. Since that time a number of substantial changes have been implemented and I feel that the financial emergency has been sufficiently addressed. I feel it is appropriate to relinquish my position as Emergency Manager (EM) at this time.

As you are aware, I was appointed Emergency Manager on January 13, 2015, under the authority of PA 436 of 2012. I am the fourth EM to serve the City of Flint; my predecessors were Michael K. Brown (PA 4 and PA 436), Edward Kurtz (PA 72 and PA 436) and Darnell Earley (PA 436). Each EM took major steps toward rectifying the financial emergency. These steps included implementing budgetary and financial best practices, restructuring the City departmental organization, implementing new means and levels of service provision, and preparing the City for long term stability.

Addressing the Financial Emergency:

At the time of placement into state receivership, the City of Flint was a city in financial crisis, characterized by accumulated deficits in the General Fund and Water Fund, marginal cash flow, and unsustainable legacy costs. At the conclusion of FY12, the fiscal year in which an Emergency Manager was appointed, the City's General Fund deficit stood at \$19.1 million; its Water Fund had a deficit of \$8.8 million; and cash flow was \$13 million, or less than one month's expenses. Unfunded OPEB liabilities were more than \$850 million.

Addressing these issues and putting Flint back onto a path to sustain financial solvency has been difficult for taxpayers, employees, retirees, and those utilizing city services. Taxes and fees have been raised, including a voter approved six mill special levy for police and fire; a special assessment for street lighting; waste collection was changed to a fee for service from a millage rate; and increases in utility rates to among the highest in the state. Services have been reduced to marginal levels (including public safety), as the workforce and employee compensation has shrunk by more than 20%. And, retirees have seen their cost of retiree health care increase.

As a result, much progress has been made:

- The deficits in the General Fund and Water Fund have been addressed. The Water Fund is now solvent, although not at the level indicated as adequate; and the remaining \$7 million General Fund deficit will be eliminated by June 30, 2015, with a loan authorized by the Emergency Loan Board. City wide cash flow is now more than \$67 million.
- New ordinances addressing the achievement and maintenance of financial sustainability have been enacted by the City Council, with support of the Mayor. These ordinances include the requirement for creation and maintenance of a strategic plan; requirement for creation and maintenance of a biennial budget and five year financial projections; establishment of a fund balance reserve, including establishment of a budget stabilization fund; establishment of a

requirement to begin funding of OPEB liabilities; and an update of the City's purchasing ordinance.

- Long term liability costs have been reduced significantly. \$850 million in OPEB liabilities have been reduced to \$240 million, and new employees are given a contribution towards future health care costs at retirement instead of the promise of retiree health care. Current retirees now pay a significant amount towards their health care. Multipliers for remaining employees in defined benefit programs have been reduced, and new employees are enrolled in a hybrid pension plan, which has less long term liability for the City. The Flint Employees Retirement System has been dissolved, with pension administration now handled by the Municipal Employees Retirement System.
- The structure of the City organization has been changed significantly. A new City Administrator has been hired, selected on the basis of professional expertise, and with expanded control over daily activities of the City. The workforce has been reduced by more than 20%, and City operations have been reorganized into four program areas. Waste collection and demolition is no longer being done internally, 911 operations will be transferred to the County effective July 1, 2015, and the City-funded 68th District Court is expected to become part of the County- funded 67th District Court in January, 2016. The purchase of water is now planned to come from the Karegondi Water Authority instead of the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department. Collective bargaining contracts have also been revised; increasing flexibility for management and setting the stage for permanent reductions in legacy costs. Partnerships have been established to improve the level of parks maintenance. Senior Centers are now run by independent non-profit organizations, with reduced assistance from the City; and the City golf courses have been leased to private operators.
- The City has put into place a plan for long term stabilization and future development. A new Master Plan (the first since the 1960's) has been adopted, a new Capital Improvement Plan has been completed, and a new framework for a Blight Elimination Plan has been developed. A new zoning ordinance is well on its way to completion. Each of these major planning pieces significantly engaged members of the community and the final products were approved by the Flint City Council, with the support of the Mayor.
- A Blue Ribbon Committee on Governance was established by EM Earley in 2014. The committee recommended a number of Charter revisions and recommended the election of a Charter Review Committee. In November 2014 the voters in Flint approved several revisions to the current Charter and also approved establishing a Charter Review Commission, the members of which will be elected in May 2015. The Commission will consider whether to maintain the current Strong Mayor form of governance or to propose a new Council-Manager format.
- A formal assessment of the values of both Hurley Hospital and the City's utility system have been completed; and concluded that no change in ownership status would be beneficial at this time.

Continuing Challenges:

Significant work has been accomplished to resolve the conditions which put the City of Flint into State receivership. However, there also still exist several major challenges which will require continued work on the part of the City leaders:

- Retiree health care continues to be a significant concern as the City still faces a federal lawsuit over its decision to change (but not eliminate) health care for current retirees. While the City is currently operating under a judge's order which allows modification of the City's historical level of health care for retirees, a loss could have an impact of more than \$5 million annually.

- The five year revenue projections still identify a structural deficit. Annual costs for wages and fringes will continue to rise at an approximate 2.4% rate. There is not a comparable increase in projected revenue, which is closer to 1%. While it may be possible to continue the low level of services that Flint now provides for a short while, even that level will be in jeopardy without a long term sustainable new source of revenue. The low level of services that Flint currently provides is not at the level which will help the City to become an attractive place to live, work, study, and play.
- Aging water and sewer systems designed to serve twice as many customers as the number now using the systems have resulted in water and sewer rates that are among the highest in the state. This is another factor impeding the City's ability to attract and retain businesses and residents. There needs to be a concerted effort to reduce rates by as much as 50%, but that cannot even be contemplated without the commitment of financial assistance from the state and federal governments. While the decision to join with Genesee County in the creation of the KWA will result in costs for purchasing water increasing at a rate less than historically paid to the previous supplier, it will not be sufficient to lower costs.
- Continuing voter support for special millages financing public safety is a concern. In 2012 voters approved a 6 mill property tax levy for police and fire, bringing Flint's total level to within 1 mill of its maximum 20 mill limit. This millage, plus one for 2 mills approved some time ago, are expiring in 2017, and without renewal, the resulting level of public safety services, even with the current level of greatly appreciated State Police support, would be unworkable. This was recently confirmed by an evaluation of the organization and staffing for both the Police and Fire departments. The evaluations found both departments are understaffed, but the understaffing situation is significantly more acute in the Police Department, where it was noted that comparable cities have on average 100 more officers on the street than Flint does.
- Equally important to providing State support in the form of Michigan State Police has been the financial commitment by the State to fund the City's lock up at a cost of more than \$2.5 million annually – without which there would be no lock-up. Both FPD and MSP have noted that the opening of the City's 72-hour lock-up has been a key component in the reduction in crime.

Emergency Manager's Recommendation:

Section 22(1) of P.A. 436 of 2012, the Local Financial Stability and Choice Act, provides that if the Emergency Manager determines that the financial emergency has been rectified, he or she is required to inform you and the State Treasurer. Based on the examples presented above, I am prepared to say that I have determined the financial emergency in the City of Flint has been rectified. In addition, as required by Section 21(1) of the Act, a two-year budget has been implemented and all bargaining unit contracts have been settled.

Although the financial emergency has been resolved, I recommend the appointment of a Receivership Transition Advisory Board (RTAB) as allowed by Section 23 of the Act. I believe it is critical that the RTAB oversee and provide guidance to the City as they address the continuing challenges facing the City of Flint and complete transition back to full local control.

The path to sustainable financial solvency for the City of Flint will be very difficult, but doable. The new financial policies and practices, and the new organizational structure, are designed to assist City leaders in achieving this goal. Achieving the goal will allow City leaders to become a positive force in leading the City to become an attractive place to live, work, study, and play. I applaud the efforts of the Mayor and Council members who have worked actively and positively to effectuate these changes and are committed to carrying them into the future.

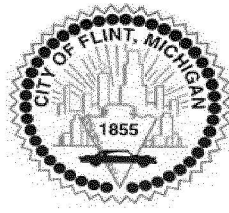
If, however, the new policies, practices, and organizational changes are ignored in favor of returning to the historic ways of doing business, it is not likely the City will succeed over the long term. The focus of City leaders will then likely once again return to confronting financial insolvency.

I have greatly appreciated the opportunity to have been of service to the City of Flint and to the State of Michigan.

Sincerely,

Gerald Ambrose
Emergency Manager
City of Flint

Cc: Nick A. Khouri, State Treasurer



**EMERGENCY MANAGER
CITY OF FLINT
GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

ORDER NO. 20

**MEASURES TO RECTIFY FINANCIAL EMERGENCY AND
ALLOCATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE EVENT OF THE
APPOINTMENT OF A RECEIVERSHIP TRANSITION ADVISORY
BOARD**

BY THE POWER AND AUTHORITY VESTED IN THE EMERGENCY MANAGER
("EMERGENCY MANAGER") FOR THE CITY OF FLINT, MICHIGAN ("CITY")
PURSUANT TO MICHIGAN'S PUBLIC ACT 436 OF 2012, LOCAL FINANCIAL
STABILITY AND CHOICE ACT, ("PA 436"); GERALD AMBROSE, THE EMERGENCY
MANAGER, ISSUES THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

Pursuant to Public Act 436, the Emergency Manager has broad powers in receivership to rectify the financial emergency and to assure the fiscal accountability of the City of Flint and its capacity to provide or cause to be provided necessary services essential to the public health, safety and welfare; and

Pursuant to Public Act 436, the Emergency Manager acts in place of local officials, specifically the Mayor and City Council, unless the Emergency Manager delegates specific authority; and

Pursuant to Public Act 436, the Emergency Manager has broad power to manage the local government, and may issue orders to elected and appointed officials necessary to accomplish the purpose of the Act; and

Pursuant to Public Act 436, the Emergency Manager is issuing this order to rectify the Financial Emergency and allocate responsibilities in the event of the appointment of a Receivership Transition Advisory Board:

1. The purpose of PA 436, which became effective on March 28, 2013, is to safeguard and ensure the financial accountability of local units of government; to preserve the capacity of local units of government to provide or cause to be provided necessary services essential to

the public health, safety, and welfare; to provide for review, management, planning, and control of the financial operation of local units of government and the provision of services by local units of government; to authorize a declaration of the existence of a financial emergency within local units of government; to prescribe remedial measures to address a financial emergency within local units of government; to provide for the appointment and to prescribe the powers and duties of emergency managers for local units of government; and to provide for the termination of a financial emergency within a local unit of government.

2. Section 23 of PA 436 authorizes the Governor, before removing a local government from receivership, to appoint a Receivership Transition Advisory Board (Board) to monitor the affairs of the local government until the receivership is terminated.
3. By letter dated April 29, 2015, I recommended that Governor Snyder appoint a Receivership Transition Advisory Board for the City.
4. In the event that the Governor appoints a Receivership Transition Advisory Board (Board), this Order is issued to facilitate the effective and efficient operation of the City for the duration of the period that the Board is monitoring the affairs of the City and the City remains in receivership. City officials shall be governed by and perform the duties and functions set forth as follows:

(a) The Mayor and City Council shall implement all of the following financial best practices within the City and do all of the following:

- 1) Safeguard the financial stability of the City by seeking out, approving, and implementing cost-saving measures recommended by the City Administrator, the Board, or both.
- 2) Work with the City Administrator and other City or State officials to successfully transition the City from receivership and eliminate financial stress within the City.
- 3) Ensure that the City makes annually required contributions to the City's pension funds. Any changes to the City's pension plans, including an annual contribution which is less than is actuarially determined, may only be made with the approval of the Board and the State Treasurer.
- 4) The City Council shall not interfere with the employees of the City. The City Administrator shall be the authorized management contact for all employees.

- 5) Fill within 120 days and with the approval of the Board, any vacancy in the Office of City Administrator with an individual that meets qualifications outlined in the job position description and established by the Board. Upon such a vacancy the City shall engage a Board-approved and professionally recognized search firm to identify and locate qualified candidates. Without the approval of the Board, neither the City Council nor the Mayor may terminate the City Administrator, or any other City officer or employee.
- 6) Shall observe the budgetary process as detailed in ordinance. Any budget adoption or subsequent amendment must be submitted for Board approval prior to implementation. The City shall comply with the two-year budget, which the Emergency Manager adopted pursuant to §21(1) of PA 436; however the two-year budget may be amended by approval of the Board and State Treasurer. Proposed budget amendments must be submitted to the Board at the next Board meeting that follows the event or discovery that necessitates the amendment.
- 7) Adopt ordinances and resolutions not inconsistent with this Order and Michigan law. Ordinances and resolutions are subject to approval of the Board before taking effect, except as otherwise directed by the Board, including but not limited to, ordinances or resolutions providing for the appointment or reappointment of individuals to City offices.
- 8) Issue or otherwise incur debt with the approval of the Board. As used in this paragraph, “debt” means that term as defined under the Revised Municipal Finance Act, 2001 PA 34, MCL 141.2101 to 141.2821.
- 9) Post City Council meeting agendas on the City’s website no less than 24 hours prior to each meeting.

- 10) Document all of the City's outstanding liabilities, including payables and debt obligations. The City shall provide a report on the liabilities to the Board upon request.
- 11) Adopt or alter policies and procedures for conducting the operations of the City Council, as needed, subject to approval by the Board.
- 12) Verify the qualifications and eligibility of any individual being considered for appointment or reappointment to the City Council or any other City board, commission, or committee prior to said appointment or reappointment. An individual not eligible for appointment or reappointment shall not be approved.
- 13) Review not less than annually an inventory of City assets.
- 14) Review not less than annually a report on business licenses issued by the City.
- 15) Review licensing fees and all other City fees on an annual basis and make recommendations for any adjustments, subject to approval by the Board.
- 16) Annually review the status of tax collections and outstanding property taxes owed to the City and report findings to the Board. The City must undergo a complete reappraisal of all property within all property classes within the City, to be implemented for the 2018 Assessment Roll. The City must maintain adequate assessment records in compliance with State Statute, State Tax Commission Rules and State Tax Commission Guidelines.
- 17) Review and recommend approval of all asset sales to the Board. Absent Board approval to do otherwise, the net proceeds from all asset sales shall be deposited in the City's pension funds, if at the time of the asset sale the City's pension funds are not fully funded. Additionally, City owned parcels shall be

appraised prior to sale and sold by a sealed bid process absent approval by the Board to sell by another method.

- 18) Review election precinct sites and approve expenses associated with elections, consistent with the budget then in effect for the City.
- 19) Review and approve proposed economic and redevelopment projects recommended for approval by the City Administrator, subject to the approval of the Board.
- 20) Approve intergovernmental agreements and service consolidation plans recommended by the City Administrator, subject to the approval of the Board.
- 21) Comply with local ordinance concerning the purchase of and contract for goods and services.
- 22) Approve any changes to the job description of the City Administrator, any contract with the City Administrator, and any policies or procedures applicable to the City Administrator with the approval of the Board.

(b) The City Administrator shall implement all of the following financial best practices within the City and do all of the following:

- 1) Fulfill the responsibilities and duties of Emergency Manager Order Number 3, dated April 10, 2015.
- 2) Be responsible for effectively overseeing the day-to-day operations of the City, consistent with Emergency Manager Orders.
- 3) Be the sole authority concerning modifications to compensation, including appointed officers and other City employees. This provision does not apply for elected officers within the City.

- 4) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 20 of Emergency Manager Order No. 3 (issued April 10, 2015), termination of any department head shall require the approval of the Board.
- 5) Negotiate and recommend approval to the Board proposed collective bargaining agreements, subject to limitations on collective bargaining under MCL 141.1567(3).
- 6) Submit regular reports to the Mayor, City Council, and Board regarding the overall operation and direction of the City and regularly report on his or her activities to the Mayor, the City Council, and the Board.
- 7) Serve as the official City representative to the Board on behalf of the Mayor and the City Council.
- 8) Work with the City Council, the Mayor, and other City or State officials to successfully transition the City from receivership and eliminate financial stress within the City.
- 9) Ensure that the City is in full compliance with Public Act 436, all Emergency Manager Orders, local ordinances, and applicable state and federal laws.
- 10) The City Administrator may be removed only in accordance with the provisions set forth by Emergency Manager Orders and the City Administrator's Employment Agreement. Complaints or grievances against the City Administrator from the Mayor or City Council shall be provided to the City Administrator in writing. The City Administrator may not be terminated, suspended, or placed on administrative leave without the approval of the Board.
- 11) Shall observe and comply with the Purchasing Ordinance, Ordinance #3865. However in the event that the Board documents abuse of the process outlined

in ordinance, the Board may resolve to review all purchases over \$15,000.00. If this occurs, Board approval is required in addition to approvals required by ordinance.

- 12) Provide to the Mayor, City Council, and the Board by the 20th calendar day following the end of each month, or when directed by the Board, monthly budget-to-actual reports, balance sheets, and a cash balances report by fund and by bank account, as prepared by the Finance Director. These reports are to be reviewed monthly with the Mayor. Additionally, if requested by the Board, monthly reports shall be submitted to the Board which detail all of the overtime expenses that the City has incurred during the previous 30 days.
- 13) Provide the Board with a plan to address and resolve all deficiencies reported in the most recent audited financial statements.
- 14) Serve as the primary contact between the Mayor, City Council, and the employees of the City.
- 15) Faithfully execute the duties of the City Administrator.

(c) The Mayor, City Administrator, and City Council shall implement all of the following financial best practices within the City and do all of the following:

- 1) Comply with all financial policies and ordinances, including but not limited to, the development and update of the Strategic Plan, Ordinance #3854; Development and Adoption of Biennial Budgets and Three-Year Financial Forecasts, Ordinance #3855; Amendment of Adopted Budgets, Ordinance #3856; Fund Balance Policy, Ordinance #3851; Budget Stabilization Fund, Ordinance #3853; Other Post-Employment Benefits, Ordinance #3852; and the Purchasing Ordinance, Ordinance #3865. Additionally, continue to adopt,

subject to Board approval, any policies and procedures necessary to implement best financial practices by the City.

- 2) Work with the Board to successfully transition the termination of receivership for the City by supporting, implementing, and maintaining the financial and operating plan and the reforms instituted by the City's emergency managers, including but not limited to, the financial and operating plan for the City and by providing appropriate training and explanation of City operations.
- 3) Provide to the Board, in a timely manner, any documents, records, or other information requested by the Board or its staff. Appear before the Board to provide testimony, documents, records or other information when requested by the Board or its staff.
- 4) Per previously adopted Orders, continue to develop and maintain a rolling five-year financial operations plan, in coordination with the City Administrator and City Finance Director, and ensure that the financial operations plan is prepared in accordance with applicable law. The five-year financial operations plan and any subsequent amendments are subject to Board approval.
- 5) Per previously adopted Orders, continue to develop and maintain a rolling six-year Capital Improvements Plan (CIP), in coordination with the City Planning Commission and ensure that the CIP is prepared annually in accordance with applicable law. The CIP, and any subsequent amendments, are subject to approval by the Board.
- 6) Annually budget for and receive training on the Open Meetings Act, effective meeting management and parliamentary procedures, council-manager relations, analyzing financial statements, and reports from professionally

recognized organizations. Notwithstanding the provisions of Emergency Manager Order No. 4, issued April 10, 2015, City Council members shall complete Level One of the Michigan Municipal League (MML) Core Courses for Municipal Government within one year following the appointment of the Board. In the event a City Council member fails to complete any of these training requirements, all compensation shall be reduced by 20%. The City will pay for training costs. Budget for and ensure that all planning commissioners, zoning board of appeals members, and members of the board of review annually receive proper training to assist them in the fulfillment of their roles and responsibilities and remove members who fail to receive adequate training.

- 7) Annually review, upon preparation and adoption of the budget, all fees and make recommendations subject to approval of the Board. Should the City Council fail to adopt a budget by the first (1st) Monday in June, fail to approve a proposed budget amendment in a timely manner, or fail to ratify a fee schedule recommended by the City Administrator, the City Administrator shall present such budget, budget amendment, or fee schedule to the Board for approval, and the Board may approve the budget, budget amendment, or fee schedule on behalf of the City.
- 8) Continue to implement any steps necessary to successfully complete the district court consolidation process.
- 9) Take all steps necessary to successfully establish, develop, and complete the Karegnondi Water Authority (KWA) project.

- 10) Take action at the same meeting on all items duly submitted by the City Administrator to the City Council agenda unless the City Administrator agrees that the items should be postponed to the next subsequent meeting.
- 11) All City elected officials, officers, and employees shall abide by all State regulations and statutes.

(d) Limitations upon the City Council, Mayor, and the City Administrator:

- 1) The City Council, Mayor, or City Administrator shall not revise any Order that was implemented by the Emergency Manager during his or her term prior to one year after the termination of receivership. Amendments to Emergency Manager Orders may be made pursuant to the procedures identified in Section 5.
- 2) There shall be no funding for the Office of the Ombudsman or the Civil Service Commission.
5. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the power to rescind or amend any order issued by the Emergency Manager shall rest solely with the Board, with approval by the State Treasurer, to the extent permitted under PA 436. This Order may be amended, modified, repealed, or terminated by a subsequent Order issued by an Emergency Manager.
6. This Order amends all previous Emergency Manager Orders to the extent that they are inconsistent.
7. This Order shall have immediate effect.

Date: _____

By: _____
Gerald Ambrose
Emergency Manager
City of Flint



RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY
LANSING

NICK A. KHOURI
STATE TREASURER

April 30, 2015

Gerald W. Ambrose
Emergency Manager
Flint City Hall
1101 South Saginaw Street
Flint, MI 48502

NOTICE OF TERMINATION

Mr. Ambrose:

Pursuant to Section 9 of the Contract for Emergency Manager Services for the City of Flint that was executed on January 13, 2015, I hereby issue this Notice of Termination, effective April 30, 2015. Upon the effective date of this Notice, you are expected to adhere to the following guidelines:

- Cease work under this Contract.
- Incur no further costs.
- Submit all records, reports, and other documentation as specified by the State; follow any directives made by the State concerning the safeguard and disposition of files and property.
- Submit a closing memorandum and final billing within thirty (30) days. This will be paid within thirty (30) days.

On behalf of the State of Michigan, thank you for your service.

Sincerely,

Rick Snyder
Governor



STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY
LANSING

RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

NICK A. KHOURI
STATE TREASURER

April 30, 2015

The Honorable Ruth Johnson
Secretary of State
Office of the Great Seal
Michigan Department of State
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Secretary Johnson:

Please be advised of the following appointments to office to be effective April 30, 2015.

City of Flint Receivership Transition Advisory Board

Frederick Headen, County of Ingham, representing the State Treasurer, is appointed for a term commencing April 30, 2015, and expiring at the pleasure of the Governor.

Brian Larkin, County of Genesee, representing the Director of the Department of Technology, Management, and Budget, is appointed for a term commencing April 30, 2015, and expiring at the pleasure of the Governor.

David McGhee, County of Genesee, representing a member with relevant professional experience, is appointed for a term commencing April 30, 2015, and expiring at the pleasure of the Governor.

Dr. Beverly Walker-Griffa, County of Genesee, representing a member with relevant professional experience, is appointed for a term commencing April 30, 2015, and expiring at the pleasure of the Governor.

Dr. Robert McMahan, County of Genesee, representing a member with relevant professional experience, is appointed for a term commencing April 30, 2015, and expiring at the pleasure of the Governor.

These appointees shall take and file with the Office of the Great Seal an oath of office before commencing their duties as members of the Receivership Transition Advisory Board.

The State Treasurer, or his or her designee appointed to represent the State Treasurer, shall serve as chairperson of the Flint Receivership Transition Advisory Board. In addition to the duties assigned to a Receivership Transition Advisory Board by Section 23(5) of Public Act 436 of 2012, the Local Financial Stability and Choice Act, the Flint Receivership Transition Advisory Board shall perform the following duties:

1. Fulfill the Board responsibilities outlined in all Emergency Manager Orders, including ORDER No. 20.
2. Recommend amendments, modifications, repeal, or termination of Emergency Manager Order No. 20, or any other Flint Emergency Manager orders, to the State Treasurer. Recommended amendments, modifications, repeal, or termination of Emergency Manager Orders must be approved by the State Treasurer before any such modification becomes effective.
3. Conduct a formal annual evaluation of the City's operational and financial progress by identifying strengths, weaknesses, benchmarks achieved, and benchmarks not yet achieved, including a list of specific recommendations, potential resources available to assist City officials, and any other constructive feedback that informs City officials, residents, and other stakeholders concerning how the City can promote and ensure its long-term sustainability.

Finally, pursuant to Section 22(4) of the Act, I impose upon the City the following conditions which must be satisfied before it is removed from receivership, unless subsequently waived by me:

1. The implementation of financial best practices as adopted by the financial officials' association.
2. After study by the Mayor and the City Council, and in consultation with the Receivership Transition Advisory Board, the City shall enact changes in the current charter through charter amendments or charter revision that are consistent with applicable model charters and model charter amendments and in the City's best financial interests.
3. The completion by City officials of financial and managerial training to ensure that official responsibilities are properly discharged.

Sincerely,

Rick Snyder
Governor

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2015 10:26 AM
To: 'Julie Skubik'
Subject: RE: Flint Water Situation

Hi Julie -- It was nice talking with you earlier. Based on our conversation, here is Dennis' availability for those four dates:

June 10th -- 10:30 a.m. -- 1:00 p.m. or 2:00 -- 3:00 p.m.
June 23rd -- 10:00 a.m. -- 2:30 p.m.
June 30th -- 3:00 -- 5:00 p.m.
July 1st -- 1:00 -- 5:00 p.m.

From: Julie Skubik [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2015 9:43 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: FW: Flint Water Situation

Hi Wendy- Per Dennis' request, I would like to set up a meeting with Paul Hillegonds, Amy Hovey and Dennis. When you have a minute, can you please call me @ 734-355-7095?

Thank you,

Julie Skubik
MHEF
Executive Assistant

From: Paul Hillegonds
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2015 9:27 AM
To: Julie Skubik
Subject: Re: Flint Water Situation

Yes, thanks.

Sent from my iPad

On Jun 3, 2015, at 9:03 AM, "Julie Skubik" < [REDACTED] > wrote:

Good morning- Do you want this meeting with Dennis, Amy and you?

From: Paul Hillegonds
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2015 8:00 AM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Cc: Julie Skubik
Subject: Re: Flint Water Situation

Yes. I'm asking Julie to work with Wendy on setting a meeting time.

Sent from my iPad

On Jun 1, 2015, at 5:29 PM, "Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)" <muchmored@michigan.gov> wrote:

Can we meet with you to discuss this?

From: Hovey, Amy [<mailto:Amy.Hovey@mail.house.gov>]

Sent: Monday, June 01, 2015 2:39 PM

To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)

Subject: Flint Water Situation

Good afternoon Dennis –

It was great talking with you at the Michigan Policy Conference last week. I am writing to follow up. I am hoping that we can schedule a meeting with the Michigan Health Endowment Fund to discuss the possibilities of the getting a grant to help with the water situation in Flint. At least some subsidy dollars for the very poor that are paying water bills three times higher than the average citizen in this state. I can make myself available to meet in Lansing.

Thank you for your help with this critical issue. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Enjoy your day!

Amy

Amy Hovey

District Chief of Staff

Congressman Dan Kildee (MI-05)

801. S Saginaw St.

Flint, MI 48502

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From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, July 08, 2015 9:55 AM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Subject: RE: HH/DM Meeting

In Lansing? I don't know yet. He's travelling to Chicago for a conference on that day but his travel time is changing and I just don't know when he's leaving now. I can let you know as soon as I know.

From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, July 08, 2015 9:54 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: HH/DM Meeting

Hi Wendy,

Is Dennis available next Tuesday, July 14, before 1pm for a meeting in Lansing with Harvey Hollins and Pastor Oscar Overton regarding Flint water?

Stacie

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Friday, July 10, 2015 3:03 PM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Subject: RE: HH/DM Meeting

The only time that will work for Dennis on Tuesday 10:30-11:00

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To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint Water Meeting Follow-Up

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From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 10:00 AM
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Subject: Flint Water Meeting Follow-Up

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Thank you,
Stacie

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Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 10:51 AM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint Water Meeting Follow-Up

I would prefer to do it between 1:00 -3:00 since that will be his first day back after two weeks. I'd like to give him the morning to try to get caught up

From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 10:42 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
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Thank you. Can Dennis do the meeting on August 26 anytime between 9-11am or 1-3pm in Lansing?

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K. If it's just the three of them, they can do it in Dennis' office

From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 10:56 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint Water Meeting Follow-Up

Ok. I'll contact Jeff Wright and check his availability for 30 minutes between 1pm-3pm. Hopefully, I can get this scheduled today.

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Stacie

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 10:16 AM
To: Workman, Wayne (TREASURY); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Hollins, Harvey (GOV)
Cc: Saxton, Thomas (Treasury); Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Subject: RE: KWA meeting

The meeting is tomorrow at 1:30 -- 2:00

From: Workman, Wayne (TREASURY)
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 10:11 AM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV) <muchmored@michigan.gov>; Hollins, Harvey (GOV) <hollinsh@michigan.gov>
Cc: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov>; Saxton, Thomas (Treasury) <SaxtonT@michigan.gov>
Subject: KWA meeting

Dennis and Harvey, Following our last meeting with local citizens regarding Flint water issues, my staff was arranging a meeting with KWA officials. When confirming that meeting we were advised you have scheduled a meeting with KWA as well. Rather than do it twice, do you want me to join you? In any event we will hold off on our meeting with KWA.
Wayne

Wayne L. Workman
Deputy State Treasurer
Michigan Department of Treasury

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 11:33 AM
To: 'Clayton, Stacie (GOV)'
Subject: RE: HH/DM & others Re: KWA (Flint Water)

What do you mean fill him in? All I know is that you said Harvey wanted a meeting with them.

From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 11:31 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov>
Subject: FW: HH/DM & others Re: KWA (Flint Water)

Hi Wendy,

Do you want to fill in Dennis on this meeting tomorrow? See his email below ☺

Stacie

From: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 11:11 AM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV) <claytons3@michigan.gov>
Subject: RE: HH/DM & others Re: KWA (Flint Water)

Now what?

-----Original Appointment-----

From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 10:24 AM
To: Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Workman, Wayne (TREASURY); Saxton, Thomas (Treasury); Dempkowski, Angela (Treasury); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: HH/DM & others Re: KWA (Flint Water)
When: Wednesday, August 26, 2015 1:30 PM-2:00 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).
Where: Governor's Conference Room

Call In: [REDACTED]
Access: [REDACTED]
Harvey will host

Attendees

Dennis Muchmore
Harvey Hollins
Tom Saxton
Wayne Workman -- via phone
Jeff Wright, Genesee Drain Commissioner and Chair of KWA

John O'Brien, Genesee Drain Deputy Commissioner
Dave Jansen, assistant to J. Wright

Agenda Items:

- 1) Financing of new water system
- 2) Governing of the new water system
- 3) Timeline for the build out of KWA

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, September 02, 2015 11:57 AM
To: 'Karen Teeples'
Subject: RE: info about KWA from Drain Commissioner Jeff Wright

Thank you

From: Karen Teeples [mailto:K_TEEPLES@gcdcwvs.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 02, 2015 11:44 AM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV) <muchmored@michigan.gov>; Hollins, Harvey (GOV) <hollinsh@michigan.gov>;
Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@w@ichigan.gov>
Subject: info about KWA from Drain Commissioner Jeff Wright

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 11:24 AM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Cc: McBride, Bill (GOV); Adamczyk, Lynne (GOV); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Subject: RE: Document for Review - Flint Water Plan Support

Dennis would like Bill added to the conference call too. Thanks Stacie.

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 11:22 AM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV) <claytons3@michigan.gov>
Cc: McBride, Bill (GOV) <mcbrideb@michigan.gov>; Adamczyk, Lynne (GOV) <adamczykl@michigan.gov>; Muchmore, Dennis (GOV) <muchmored@michigan.gov>
Subject: FW: Document for Review - Flint Water Plan Support

Stacie – I'm sorry for the confusion – Dennis would like to review any response that is drafted but I assume that this letter and any response is one of the things being discussed on tomorrow morning's conference call with everyone.

From: "Adamczyk, Lynne (GOV)" <adamczykl@michigan.gov>
Date: September 16, 2015 at 3:19:18 PM EDT
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Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2015 1:12 PM
To: 'Grijalva, Nancy (DCH)'
Subject: RE: Hurley Hospital's bulletin regarding Flint water

Can't answer any questions because I don't know anything about this.

From: Grijalva, Nancy (DCH)
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2015 12:58 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov>
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FYI..... so ????

From: Lasher, Geralyn (DCH)
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2015 12:27 PM
To: Lyon, Nick (DCH); Grijalva, Nancy (DCH); Becker, Timothy (DCH); Minicuci, Angela (DCH); Eisner, Jennifer (DCH); Hertel, Elizabeth (DCH); Robinson, Mikelle (DCH); Moran, Susan (DCH)
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Mikelle has been told the Genesee Health Department will also be at the press conference today in Flint with the below groups. They have put together a fact sheet on lead and water that they will be sending us this afternoon.

Angela and I have just gotten off the phone with Nancy Peeler and Bob Scott and are putting together talking points about this "study" that the physicians will be discussing that claims an increase in EBL in children since the change to the water system source.

DEQ will be answering the questions as to why the city cannot just switch back to the Detroit system and how that won't solve the problem. We will answer the health questions.

The City of Flint is also issuing a water advisory today to educate residents and has also asked the Governor for \$30 million. http://www.mlive.com/news/flint/index.ssf/2015/09/flint_will_issue_lead_advisory.html#incart_m-rpt-2

From: Murray, David (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2015 11:47 AM
To: Lasher, Geralyn (DCH) <lasherg@michigan.gov>; Minicuci, Angela (DCH) <MinicuciA@michigan.gov>; Eisner, Jennifer (DCH) <EisnerJ@michigan.gov>; Wurfel, Brad (DEQ) <WurfelB@michigan.gov>; Agen, Jarrod (GOV) <AgenJ@michigan.gov>; Wurfel, Sara (GOV) <Wurfels@michigan.gov>
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Team,

Here's the media bulletin issued by Hurley Hospital in Flint about the lead blood levels press conference this afternoon. I've reached out to Hurley's communications team, which has promised to send me whatever it has shared with the media on an embargoed basis. I'll forward that as soon as I receive it.

Dave



Contact: Rebecca Jensen

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rjensen@hurleymc.com

September 24, 2015

Media Alert

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

WHO: Genesee County Medical Community, including Hurley Medical Center, Greater Flint Health Coalition, Mott Children's Health Center, Hamilton Community Health Network & Genesee County Medical Society

WHAT: Press conference to address medical community's concerns regarding lead levels in the city of Flint's water supply and appropriate precautionary measures.

WHEN: 3pm, Today, September 24th, 2015

WHERE: Hurley Medical Center, Charles White Conference Center

Media Note: Please enter on the Sixth Avenue entrance and check in with front desk upon arrival to be escorted to the Charles White Conference Center.

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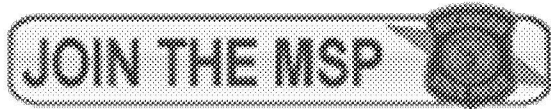
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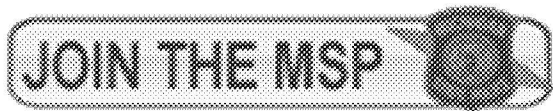
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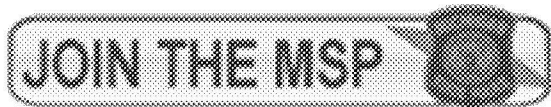
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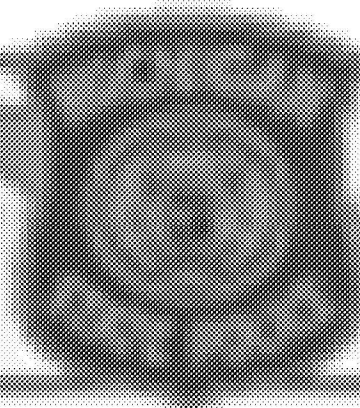
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Subject: RE: Flint Water meeting

I'm sure he would like to go if it works but if it doesn't he'll understand too and can catch up with Dick

From: Rospond, Laurie (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2015 10:32 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski.w@michigan.gov>
Subject: Flint Water meeting
Importance: High

Wendy,

Dick asked me to see if Dennis wanted to sit in on the meeting. We are going to schedule today. If yes then I will schedule over in the Romney and work around Dennis's schedule.

From: Keilen, Alison (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2015 10:11 AM
To: Rospond, Laurie (GOV) <rospondl@michigan.gov>
Subject: Phone msg

Shawn w/ Ananich office called to set up mtg with DP, Ananich, Andy Leavitt. Requests call back at 3-2820. Mentioned you would know what regarding.

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2015 9:25 AM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Subject: Flint Coalition Document
Attachments: 20151001092433307.pdf

COMMENTARY: MDEQ Mistakes and Deception Created the Flint Water Crisis

September 30, 2015 Articles

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Now that Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha and Hurley Medical Center researchers have revealed that the rising levels of lead in Flint water have been associated with increased blood lead of Flint's

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Given MDEQ’s insistence that there is absolutely nothing wrong with Flint water, we have created a timeline that illustrates how MDEQ’s mistakes and deception created the Flint Water Crisis in the first place. Our analysis relies on e-mails and documents obtained through Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests by the American Civil Liberties Union-Michigan (ACLU of Michigan) and FlintWaterStudy.org.

All FOIA documents are provided at the end of this article for review.

Phase 1. MDEQ Fails to Require Corrosion Control for Flint River Water (April 2014)

Effective July 1998, the federal Lead and Copper Rule (LCR) has required that all large public water systems maintain a program to control levels of lead in drinking water from corrosion. Moreover, the law also requires the City of Flint to have a state approved plan, with enforceable regulatory limits for “Water Quality Parameters” including pH, alkalinity and/or corrosion inhibitor dose measured in the water distribution system.

MDEQ never required Flint to have a corrosion control program, nor did it set water quality parameters for the new Flint River source water. While MDEQ asserts that they are acting proactively to get a corrosion control program in Flint, there is

no provision in the LCR that allows for corrosion control to ever be interrupted.

As a direct result of this mistake, Flint residents have been completely unprotected from elevated lead in water from the moment the switch to Flint River water was made. This has created a conflict of interest for MDEQ ever since. Specifically, MDEQ's failure to require a corrosion control program is what created the **Flint water** crisis in the first place—they now have a vested interest in covering up the problem.

Phase 2. MDEQ misinforms the USEPA about Flint's Corrosion Control (February-March 2015)

Even if we assume MDEQ was confused about its obligations under the LCR, when problems with high lead started to crop up in February 2015, they should have quickly acted to correct the mistake. Samples with high lead were reported at the University of Michigan-Flint Campus, and on February 26, 2015 Mike Glasgow (City of Flint) did excellent detective work discovering high lead (over 100 ppb) in water samples from Flint resident Lee-Anne Walters' home.

Ms. Walters immediately forwarded her results to representatives of USEPA Region 5, who in turn immediately forwarded the results to Stephen Busch and Mike Prysby (MDEQ) with the subject line "**HIGH LEAD: **FLINT Water** testing Results**" The EPA e-mail correctly informed MDEQ that Ms. Walters' high lead was likely due to "*... the different chemistry water...leaching out contaminants from the insides of...the pipes.*" But MDEQ denied to EPA that that Flint had a lead in water problem.

At that point, EPA Region 5 lead-in-water expert Miguel Del Toral asked MDEQ a question through another EPA employee:

“Miguel was wondering if Flint is feeding Phosphates. Flint must have Optimal Corrosion Control Treatment- is it Phosphates?”

On February 27th, 2015, MDEQ’s Stephen Busch unequivocally and falsely responded to EPA that:

“The City of Flint...Has an Optimized Corrosion Control Program <and> Conducts quarterly Water Quality Parameter monitoring at 25 sites and has not had any unusual results.”

Reassured by MDEQ’s false statement, Del Toral ended USEPA’s February conversation with MDEQ by stating:

“If I remember correctly, Detroit is feeding PO₄ for the LCR, but since Flint is no longer part of that interconnection, I was wondering what their <Optimal Corrosion Control> was. They are required to have <Optimal Corrosion Control> in place which is why I was asking what they were using.”

On March 18, 2015, Lee-Anne Walters’ home was retested after flushing her system thoroughly. This time the test result came back even worse with 397 ppb lead– almost 40 times higher than the World Health Organization 10 ppb safety threshold. EPA Region 5 forwarded the results to MDEQ, with a query ***“Any thoughts on how to respond to her? I’m running out of ideas.”***

MDEQ's response, delivered in a voicemail to Del Toral on March 19, 2015, stated that *MDEQ had investigated and found Ms. Walters' high lead was due to lead sources in her plumbing*. On March 27, 2015, Walters' son, who had been having health problems, was tested for lead in his blood. The blood lead results came back high— well over the 5 ug/dL CDC threshold of concern.

Phase 3. Walters and Del Toral Investigate the Veracity of MDEQ Statements (April to June 2015)

With good reason, Lee-Anne Walters did not accept the MDEQ's explanation to Del Toral for the high lead in her water. The internal plumbing had been stolen from the house before it was purchased, and they had installed new (lead free) plastic plumbing before moving in.

Walters also checked up on the MDEQ statement that Flint had “an Optimized Corrosion Control Program.” She called the City of Flint, and city officials correctly informed her that there was no program at all.

Walters then passed this alarming information along to EPA's Del Toral, who on April 23rd e-mailed MDEQ, and again asked what corrosion control program Flint was using. It was only then that MDEQ finally acknowledged that there was NO program. Concerned due to the very high occurrence of lead service lines (LSLs) in Flint, on April 27th Del Toral wrote an EPA Region 5 internal e-mail stating:

“Flint has not been operating any corrosion control treatment, which is very concerning given the likelihood of LSLs in the City.”

That night Del Toral also stopped at Walters’ house on a trip north, and personally inspected her plumbing first hand. He confirmed it was plastic and lead-free. Del Toral also dropped off sample bottles at the Walters’ home, and told her that if she wanted an analysis to contact Professor Marc Edwards (the author of this article and Principal Investigator of FlintWaterStudy.org) at Virginia Tech.

The next morning Edwards talked Walters through an intensive 30 bottle sampling protocol. When the bottles were returned to Virginia Tech and analyzed, Edwards and his senior research scientist Dr. Jeff Parks were stunned by the results. The average lead in was 2,429 ppb lead, the high was 13,200 ppb, and even after 25 minutes flushing the water never dropped below 200 ppb. After Walters told Del Toral about the high lead results, he drove back to Flint, just in time to observe the City replacing the service line to Walters’ home. He personally collected a sample of the pipe and verified it to be pure lead.

In a follow-up memo dated June 24, 2015, which was sent to both Walters and Edwards, Del Toral outlined numerous concerns about the situation regarding the serious lead corrosion problem in Flint. *He included a clear recommendation that the USEPA investigate whether the City of Flint was in compliance with federal laws for lead corrosion control.*

Phase 4. MDEQ “Handles” the LCR Report, ACLU-Michigan, Virginia Tech and Miguel Del Toral (July to August 2015)

> **“Revising” the Original LCR Report.** In spite of all the problems documented with lead in **Flint water** from February to June 2015, Flint and MDEQ took a lackadaisical approach to the federally required LCR sampling program. Specifically, just 5 days before the June 30th deadline to collect the 100 samples that MDEQ required, the City had only collected 39 samples.

Adam Rosenthal (MDEQ) e-mailed Mike Glasgow at the City of Flint:

“We hope you have 61 more lead/copper samples collected and sent to the lab by 6/30/15, and that they will be below the AL for lead. As of now with 39 results, Flint’s 90th percentile is over the AL for lead.”

In the next five days the City collected 30 samples, all of which were below the action level, and did not reach the 100 sample target. If all 71 submitted samples had been considered valid, the City would have exceeded the 15 ppb action level. *Federal law would then require that Flint residents be provided information about how to protect themselves and their children from lead in water. MDEQ’s failure to install corrosion control would have been flagged as an obvious mistake. But none of that happened.*

Instead, the MDEQ “revised” the City’s original LCR report, invalidating two high lead results, so that the 90th percentile was under the 15 ppb action level. The validity of samples showing low lead in the City’s sampling was never questioned. This is a problem,

because the City has now admitted that they do not know which homes had lead pipe, even though it is stated in writing in the report that all sampled homes had lead pipe. By law, at least 50 percent of the homes sampled must be verified to have lead pipe, and the remainder of homes sampled must have been built before 1986 and known to have lead solder. There is no basis for believing that this requirement was met in either the 2014 or 2015 LCR sampling events conducted by the City. Hence, the City of Flint has not had a valid LCR sampling event since the switch to Flint River water.

MDEQ then lowered the minimum number of required samples from 100 to 60, making it look like the City of Flint had met the target. MDEQ also did not question the City's open acknowledgement that homes from 2014 had not been re-sampled, or that high risk (Tier 1) sites were not used. The original report, due July 10th, was also late by several weeks. All of these violations of federal law were glossed over, to make it appear that the City had passed its lead testing with flying colors. Just like that, according to MDEQ at least, the City of Flint had no LCR violations at all.

> **ACLU-Michigan FOIA**. The timing by which the "revised" LCR report was created, is also of interest. On July 22, 2015, the **ACLU-Michigan** submitted a **FOIA** to MDEQ, requesting the City of Flint's LCR report supposedly due on July 10, 2015. The City's original LCR report with all the obvious problems is dated July 28, 2015. MDEQ never provided the **ACLU-Michigan** with the original LCR report. Instead, they created the scrubbed revised report, on August 20, 2015, and sent that report to **ALCU-Michigan** (from the City of Flint) the next day. In the

comments section of the report, Flint openly states *“Revised report after conference call with DEQ staff. Two samples were removed from list for not meeting sample criteria, and due to population the number of samples was reduced to 60.”*

> **MDEQ to FlintWaterStudy.org FOIA: What conference call?** On September 9, 2015, Virginia Tech submitted a FOIA to MDEQ explicitly requesting records and minutes of the conference call between DEQ staff and Flint cited in the revised LCR report. This FOIA request has been denied by MDEQ, because *“Your request does not include the date/time of the conference call and who from the Department of Environmental Quality participated on the conference call.”* FlintWaterStudy.org immediately appealed the withholding of documents related to the conference call to the State of Michigan. On September 28th, our appeal was denied. We may commence a civil action if we do not agree with the decision.

> **Handling Miguel Del Toral.** MDEQ obviously had a major problem on its hands with EPA’s lead-in-water expert Miguel Del Toral. On August 4th 2015, Lee-Anne Walters and Melissa Mays met with MDEQ officials to discuss Flint’s lead in water problems. The MDEQ officials participating in the meeting were identified by Mays and Walters, as Liane Shekter-Smith (Chief of the Office of Drinking Water and Municipal Assistance), Stephen Busch and Brad Wurfel.

According to Walters and Mays, Shekter-Smith bragged that *“Mr. Del Toral has been handled,”* and that Flint residents would not be hearing from him again. Moreover,

MDEQ asserted that Mr. Del Toral's interim memo detailing the many problems with Flint's (non-existent) corrosion control program ***"would never be finalized."*** Just yesterday, NPR released a slightly different, but enlightening version of Wurfel's take on Del Toral and the memo:

MDEQ spokesman Brad Wurfel says the report was the work of a "rogue employee," and promised the final report — not yet released — would tell a much different story.

Mays and Walters vividly recall Wurfel, smirking or laughing, whenever they expressed concern about elevated lead in Flint's water. Looking back on the exchange yesterday, Mays stated ***"It is shocking how their refusal to admit they made a mistake, trumped the dangers their actions pose to Flint's children."***

Angered, Lee-Anne Walters then called Edwards, and informed him that Del Toral would no longer be working on Flint water issues, and the two discussed the clear implication that EPA bureaucrats had intervened to prevent Del Toral from further exposing MDEQ's numerous blunders and the health threat to Flint residents. She further stated that ***"It is too late for my son, but I will not stand by and let this happen to another other innocent child in Flint."***

Clearly, the MDEQ, City of Flint and even the USEPA (with the obvious exception of Del Toral) have proved themselves unworthy of the public trust. Flint residents have been left to fend for themselves, when it comes to dealing with the dangers of high lead in their water.

FlintWaterStudy was launched an hour after the phone call from Ms. Walters, to help the citizens of Flint deal with the lead-in-water crisis that MDEQ created, and to correct any false statements by uncaring agencies that have left Flint's children in harm's way.

FOIA Documents:

Emails between MDEQ, USEPA, and Ms. LeeAnne Walters:

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2015 12:45 PM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint and Detroit

Rich is out of office today in meeting with Detroit. Do you want to just do it without him today?

From: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2015 12:37 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov>
Subject: FW: Flint and Detroit

Can you set up and include Rich Baird>

From: Dayne Walling [<mailto:dwalling@cityofflint.com>]
Sent: Thursday, October 1, 2015 10:47 AM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV) <muchmored@michigan.gov>
Subject: Flint and Detroit

COS, thanks for your team's engagement with the Flint water problems. I have been in frequent contact with DEQ Director Wyant. I do want to speak with you directly today about the Detroit water option. Please call me on my cell [REDACTED] and if easier the office number is below and our offices can secure a time.

Thanks, Dayne

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From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2015 2:19 PM
To: 'dwalling@cityofflint.com'
Subject: FW: Flint and Detroit

Mayor Walling – I left a voice mail message with your office around 12:45 this afternoon and I haven't heard anything, so I thought maybe I should reach out to you directly. I just left a voice mail on your cell but thought maybe I should email you too. Are you available for a call at 4:00 today with Dennis Muchmore and Rich Baird? If that works, I will have them call your cell. Please let me know. Thank you.

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From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2015 2:20 PM
To: 'Dayne Walling'
Subject: RE: FW: Flint and Detroit

Great. They will call you then

From: Dayne Walling [<mailto:dwalling@cityofflint.com>]
Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2015 2:19 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov>
Subject: Re: FW: Flint and Detroit

yes, perfect, thank you!

On Thu, Oct 1, 2015 at 2:18 PM, Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov> wrote:

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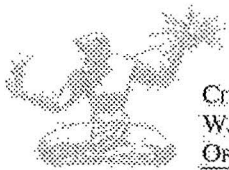
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From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 9:37 AM
To: Pleyte, Beth (Treasury)
Subject: FW: City of Flint - correspondence regarding reconnection to Water Supply System
Attachments: City of Flint - September 2015 Letter - Reconnection to DWSD.pdf; ATT00001.htm

Here is the letter.



September 30, 2015

*Via email: nhenderson@cityofflint.com
and U.S. Mail*

Ms. Natasha L. Henderson, City Administrator
City of Flint
1101 S. Saginaw St.
Flint, Michigan 48502

Dear Ms. Henderson:

Thank you for your inquiry regarding the possibility of reconnecting the City of Flint to the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department's (DWSD) Water Supply system. Director McCormick has asked me to respond to you and provide a brief outline of the basis for that reconnection. However, I want to again emphasize what Ms. McCormick has previously stated to your City Council on this issue: DWSD is willing to sit down and talk with the City of Flint without pre-condition, if that is mutually desirable.

I would be remiss if I did not point out that on June 12, 2015, the City of Detroit and the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) executed a Lease Agreement that provides for the GLWA's operation of the Regional Water Supply System. At present, we are transitioning management of the system from DWSD to the GLWA while certain Conditions Precedent of the Lease Agreement are satisfied. We have made substantial progress towards satisfying these Conditions Precedent with a goal of having GLWA commence full system operations on or before January 1, 2016. I can assure you that, like DWSD, the GLWA is concerned with the challenges Flint's residents have faced in recent months, and will be willing to discuss service to your City.

That said, here is a likely list of issues that would need to be addressed:

1) Rates: In Sue McCormick's January 12, 2015 letter to Flint, she indicated that the rates Flint would pay for the remainder of the then current 2014-2015 Fiscal Year (FY) would be "the same rates Flint was paying as a terminated customer when it left the system but modified to include the 4% increase experienced by all other DWSD wholesale customers in 2014." As we are now in the 2015-16 FY, that offer must be modified to include an additional adjustment similar to that which was received by other customers. In this regard we propose that the rates be adjusted as follows:

a) Starting with the 2013-2014 FY terminated rate; and

b) Adding a 4% adjustment to that rate to account for the 2014-2015 FY increases; and

c) Adding an adjustment equal to the average Suburban Wholesale Charge Adjustment for the current 2015-2016 FY. This rate would remain in place until June 30, 2016, the end of the current 2015-2016 FY.



d) Based upon the above considerations, the resulting rate structure is a fixed monthly rate of \$662,100 and a commodity rate of \$8.93/Mcf for the current 2015-2016 FY. Please note that this rate structure is designed to be applicable to incremental water sales over and above water sales to the Genesee County Drain Commission. Depending on how water is provided to the combined GCDC/Flint customer, alternative rate structures may be appropriate.

e) Additionally, DWSD recently changed its wholesale customer billing methodology as follows: Flint's calculated share of the FY 2016 Budget is allocated 60% to the Fixed Monthly Charge and 40% to the Commodity Charge, which is consistent with the adopted FY 2015-2016 water wholesale rates

f) In extending this proposal, our assumption is that the service provided is to Flint only and computations are based on data from our previous customer relationship.

g) It is anticipated that under the management of the GLWA, the rates for the 2016-2017 FY will be computed using the same methodology as applied to all other Water Supply System customers.

The proposed rate methodology is intended to ensure that Flint is treated fairly by using the average wholesale customer adjustment in the current Fiscal Year, and the same methodology as all other customers.

2) Term: DWSD understands that Flint's current long-term desire is to receive water service from the KWA. Under these circumstances, Flint would be expected to remain a DWSD customer from the time of reconnection until the time it begins to receive service from KWA. If Flint wishes to consider a longer term relationship with DWSD or GLWA, we would welcome that discussion.

3) Reconnection: As previously indicated by Ms. McCormick in her January 12, 2015, letter, DWSD will not charge an additional fee for Flint to reconnect to the DWSD Water System, and is prepared to immediately take those steps necessary on its end to facilitate a reconnection. Any expenses incurred would be billed at actual cost. Because DWSD lacks sufficient information on the status of the disconnection, we are unable to provide an estimate of those costs at this time. Nonetheless, we will work with you in good faith to develop an expedited plan for reconnection, and to develop a mutually agreed good faith estimate of the costs associated with that plan.

Thank you for raising this issue with us. We hope that this letter addresses the concerns you raised during your recent conversation with Ms. McCormick, and we sincerely appreciate your interest and the opportunity to serve Flint.



Ms. Natasha L. Henderson, City Administrator
City of Flint
September 30, 2015
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Finally, we look forward to the opportunity to meet with you at your earliest convenience to discuss this letter, and how we may best assist Flint in serving its residents' needs. Please contact Ms. McCormick's office at (313) 224-4701 to arrange this meeting.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "William M. Wolfson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "William" being the most prominent.

William M. Wolfson

Chief Administrative and Compliance Officer/General Counsel, DWSD
Interim General Counsel, GLWA

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 11:00 AM
To: Lasher, GERALYN (DCH)
Subject: FW: Today

Hey GERALYN – Beth said to direct them to you. Can I tell Rhonda that you'll give Pat a call after your current exciting meeting? ☺

From: Rhonda Smith [mailto:████████████████████]
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 10:43 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov>
Subject: Today

Hi! Just tried you line. Can you please have Beth call Pat's cell - -██████████? Our client Nestle Waters wants to assist with the Flint water issue and Pat wants to talk to her about their needs ... whether tankers or bottled water etc. Thanks!

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From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 11:04 AM
To: Lasher, GERALYN (DHHS)
Subject: RE: Today

☺ lol

From: Lasher, GERALYN (DHHS)
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 11:03 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov>
Subject: Re: Today

You can tell her that. I am just so captivated by this exciting meeting I can't stand it!

Also am laughing as I look at all the budget staff since and at least four of them must need fake IDs to go to the bar.

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 6, 2015, at 11:00 AM, Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov> wrote:

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From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 11:05 AM
To: 'Rhonda Smith'
Subject: RE: Today

Rhonda -- Beth said it should be Geralyn Lasher in Nick Lyon's office. I forwarded your email to her and she said that she will call Pat when she gets out of her current meeting.

Thanks.

From: Rhonda Smith [mailto:]
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 10:43 AM
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From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 8:33 AM
To: Agen, Jarrod (GOV)
Subject: FW: Draft Action Plan
Attachments: MDHHS Action Plan Flint EBL.docx; ATT00001.htm

I added this to the appointment and sent out the update

From: Lasher, GERALYN (DHHS)
Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 7:56 PM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov>
Cc: Lyon, Nick (DHHS) <LyonN2@michigan.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Draft Action Plan

Wendy--the attached doc might be useful for the conversation tomorrow. It is the MDHHS action plan for Flint. I thought you might want this as an attachment for the appointment.

Thanks--g

Michigan Department of Community Health (MDHHS) Flint Water Action Plan

Action	Local Lead	MDHHS Lead	Tasks
Filter/Water Distribution	Tamara Brickley (Genesee County Health Department-GCHD)	Sheryl Thompson, MDHHS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coordination of distribution (GCHD) - Identify at-risk sub-groups (GCHD) - Tracking filters- uniform registry held by GCHD - Ordering filter replacements (MDHHS)
Blood Testing	Tony LaRocco (GCHD) Possible partners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hurley - Great Flint Health Coalition - MIHP - LHD - Schools 	Dr. Eden Wells/ Nancy Peeler (CLPPP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Test all <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Students 0-16 o Priorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 3 schools ▪ 2 zip codes ▪ ages 0-15 - Convene meeting with GCHD and all potential partners (MDHHS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Partner with schools- information about testing sites options distributed through school districts to parents o Partner with Great Flint Health Coalition-network to develop testing sites and information about testing to healthcare providers o Partner with Hurley/McClaren/Genesys o Partner with MIHP/Home Visiting Program - Confirm that the state lab has capacity to handle increase in tests- CONFIRMED
Case Management Follow Up	Tony LaRocco (GCHD)	Eden Wells/ Nancy Peeler (CLPPP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identification of all current positives- confirmatory testing for > 5 mcg/dl (as of April 2014) - Maintain registry of all tests performed (-/+) - Follow-up all cases >5 mcg/dl with the CLPP Case Management protocol
Elevated Blood Level Investigations(all > 5 mcg/dl)	Dawn Hallwood (GCHD)	Linda Dykema	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Secure financial resources necessary to support environmental health response - Follow-up CLPPP to see if immediate funds available - Recommendation to contract with Lead Investigation company thru SEMHA-

			licensed investigators
Communications	Hilda McShane (GCHD)	Geralyn Lasher	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Daily MDHHS and GCHD phone calls (3PM) - Provide provider education- links sent for Governor's site to GCHD 10/12 - Provide public education - Provide risk education - Provide links with lead prevention information to Flint

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 9:27 AM
To: Hall, Jean (GOV)
Subject: Re: Today's Flint Next Steps Meeting

FYI - this is Jarrods meeting and I'll let him know

Sent from my iPad

On Oct 14, 2015, at 9:23 AM, Hall, Jean (GOV) <hallj16@michigan.gov> wrote:

Hi Dennis,

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517-241-5493

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 9:30 AM
To: Hall, Jean (GOV)
Subject: Re: Today's Flint Next Steps Meeting

No problems

Sent from my iPad

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Thanks. Sorry.

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From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 9:27 AM
To: Hall, Jean (GOV) <hallj16@michigan.gov>
Subject: Re: Today's Flint Next Steps Meeting

FYI - this is Jarrods meeting and I'll let him know

Sent from my iPad

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Subject: T/C Agen/McBride re Flint Water
Location: [REDACTED]

Start: Wed 10/21/2015 2:30 PM
End: Wed 10/21/2015 3:00 PM
Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: Agen, Jarrod (GOV)
Required Attendees: McBride, Bill (GOV)

Subject: T/C Agen/McBride re Flint Water
Location: Jarrod calling [REDACTED]

Start: Wed 10/21/2015 2:30 PM
End: Wed 10/21/2015 3:00 PM
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From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2015 4:25 PM
To: 'Stoken, Laura (GOV)'; Adamczyk, Lynne (GOV)
Subject: RE: State Portion of Flint Water Reconnection

Yep. They're all aware of the situation.

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2015 4:23 PM
To: Adamczyk, Lynne (GOV) <adamczyk1@michigan.gov>; Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski.w@michigan.gov>
Subject: FW: State Portion of Flint Water Reconnection

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From: Workman, Wayne (TREASURY)
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2015 3:47 PM
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Cc: Khouri, Nick (TREASURY) <KhouriN@michigan.gov>; GovernorsOffice <GovernorsOffice@michigan.gov>; Muchmore, Dennis (GOV) <muchmored@michigan.gov>; nhenderson@cityofflint.com; Stanton, Terry A. (Treasury) <StantonT@michigan.gov>; Ryan, Howard (Treasury) <RyanH1@michigan.gov>
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Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 22, 2015, at 3:43 PM, Rep. Sheldon Neeley (District 34) <SheldonNeeley@house.mi.gov> wrote:

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Sheldon

<Treasury Letter.pdf>

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To: Baird, Richard (GOV); Wurfel, Sara (GOV); Agen, Jarrod (GOV); Murray, David (GOV)
Subject: FW: State Portion of Flint Water Reconnection
Attachments: Treasury Letter.pdf

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October 22, 2015

Department of the Treasury
State of Michigan

Dear Treasurer Nick A. Khouri,

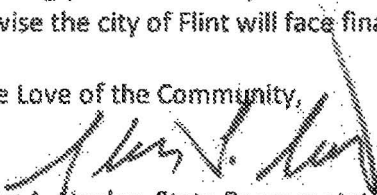
I write to you today concerning a serious matter involving the city of Flint and its switch to the Detroit water system.

Flint prepaid an escrow account of \$10 million for the switch and the state was obligated to significantly assist in this payment. The Detroit Water Authority required this set-up prior to restoration of the water service to Flint. As a result, the city has expended substantial resources beyond their commitment in order to activate restoration of service.

Furthermore, the Ruth Mott Foundation will not release their supplemental funds because they subscribe to the plan of release for state funds.

I am asking you and the Department of the Treasury to release the remaining agreed upon funds, otherwise the city of Flint will face financial hardships even more disastrous than it has previously seen.

For the Love of the Community,


Sheldon A. Neeley, State Representative
34th District

CC: Governor Rick Snyder
Dennis Muchmore
Wayne Workman
Natasha Henderson



From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 11:13 AM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Subject: RE: Mtg with Flint Mayor-Elect Weaver

Is there a timeframe that I am looking at or specific dates that you know work for the Harvey or the Mayor-elect to look at?

From: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 11:04 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski.w@michigan.gov>
Subject: Mtg with Flint Mayor-Elect Weaver

Hi Wendy,

Will you please send me a few dates and times that Dennis and Jarrod are available to meet with Harvey and Flint Mayor-Elect Karen Weaver in Lansing?

Stacie

From: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 1:43 PM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Subject: Accepted: Hollins/Muchmore/Agen/Flint Mayor-elect Karen Weaver

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) on behalf of Agen, Jarrod (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 1:43 PM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Subject: Accepted: Hollins/Muchmore/Agen/Flint Mayor-elect Karen Weaver

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2015 11:22 AM
To: Quebbeman, Marsha (GOV)
Subject: FW: Funding
Attachments: Proposed Services Memo_Flint water task force_11-09-15.docx; ATT00001.htm

Marsha -- I have no idea how to even begin with something like this. Can you point me in the right direction?

From: Agen, Jarrod (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2015 11:13 AM
To: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski@michigan.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Funding

Let's discuss when I get back

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Baird, Richard (GOV)" <bairdr@michigan.gov>
Date: November 12, 2015 at 10:17:34 AM EST
To: "Agen, Jarrod (GOV)" <AgenJ@michigan.gov>
Subject: Funding

Will need process to get these paid between Treas, DEQ and DHHS. Same with Rothsteins bills and experiences.

Can Wendy set this up?

Rich

Sent from my Verizon Wireless 4G LTE DROID

MEMORANDUM

To: Rich Baird, Transformation Manager, Office of the Governor
From: Julie Metty Bennett, Senior Vice President, Public Sector Consultants
Date: November 10, 2015
Subject: Professional Services for the Flint Water Task Force

COMMENTS:

Per the phone conversation between Rich Baird and Ken Sikkema on November 6, 2015, this memo will formalize the work PSC will perform for the Office of the Governor.

Public Sector Consultants (PSC) will provide meeting space and note taking services for the Flint Water Task Force. PSC services will be provided at the rate of \$400 per meeting. Invoices will be sent directly to Rich Baird.

We look forward to working with you on this project.

Letter of Agreement

I have read the memo for Professional Services for the Flint Water Task Force submitted by Public Sector Consultants Inc. on November 10, 2015. I agree that the Office of the Governor will pay for the products and services described in this document for a flat fee of \$400 per meeting of the Flint Water Task Force; this amount shall be payable monthly. PSC will provide a monthly invoice for the fee, with a summary of services performed. The project will begin on receipt of this signed agreement. This price shall remain in effect for 60 days.

This agreement may be amended only by written permission from both parties and becomes effective upon their authorized signatures.

The Office of the Governor owns the final product and supportive work, but may not release to the public excerpted or modified portions of the final product without the approval of PSC. When PSC assures interviewees of confidentiality and/or anonymity, PSC will not attribute comments, opinions, or perceptions to specific individuals.

Services and/or products not included in this agreement shall be provided by Public Sector Consultants Inc. to the Office of the Governor on a time-and-materials basis at rates mutually agreed on.

Please sign and return one copy to Public Sector Consultants Inc., 230 N. Washington Sq., Suite 300, Lansing, MI 48933. Please retain one copy for your files.


Office of the Governor

Richard Baird

Title

Date

For Public Sector Consultants Inc.



Julie Metty Bennett

Senior Vice President

Title

November 10, 2015

Date

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(517) 484-6549 Fax
www.pscinc.com

Subject: Conf Call per Wayne Workman re Flint - NK/WW/TS/DM/JA/HH

Location: [REDACTED]

Start: Fri 11/20/2015 11:00 AM

End: Fri 11/20/2015 11:30 AM

Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)

Required Attendees: Nick A. Khouri (KhouriN@michigan.gov); Workman, Wayne (TREASURY); Saxton, Thomas (Treasury) (SaxtonT@michigan.gov); Agen, Jarrod (GOV); Harvey Hollins (hollinsh@michigan.gov); Clayton, Stacie (GOV); Dempkowski, Angela (Treasury); Pleyte, Beth (Treasury); Doyle, Maureen (Treasury)

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] - Dennis to host

From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) on behalf of Agen, Jarrod (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, December 01, 2015 12:52 PM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Subject: Declined: Hollins/Wyant/Flint Mayor Weaver

From: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, December 02, 2015 2:10 PM
To: Clayton, Stacie (GOV)
Subject: Accepted: Hollins/Wyant/Flint Mayor Weaver

Subject: JW/Senator Ananich RE: Flint Water Concerns
Location: You call the Senator @ , [REDACTED]
Start: Mon 8/17/2015 11:00 AM
End: Mon 8/17/2015 11:30 AM
Recurrence: (none)
Organizer: Walsh, John (GOV)

The 17th at 11am would work great for Senator Ananich. The best number would be his cell, [REDACTED]

Thanks Jean!

Michelle Carnevale
Director of Appointments
Senate Minority Leader Jim Ananich

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From: Hall, Jean (GOV) [<mailto:Hall16@michigan.gov>]
Sent: Monday, August 3, 2015 4:19 PM
To: Michelle Carnevale <MCarnevale@senate.michigan.gov>
Subject: RE: PHONE CALL REQUEST: Senator Ananich and John Walsh

On Monday, Aug. 17th he is open between 10 and Noon and any after 3 p.m. The week of Aug. 10th, he is only here for two days and is then going on a family vacation until Aug. 17th. If one of those times work on Aug. 17th, please let me know what number John should use to call the Senator. Thank you.

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Executive Office of Governor Rick Snyder
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From: Michelle Carnevale [<mailto:MCarnevale@senate.michigan.gov>]
Sent: Monday, August 03, 2015 4:11 PM
To: Hall, Jean (GOV)
Subject: RE: PHONE CALL REQUEST: Senator Ananich and John Walsh

Thanks for getting back to me. Senator would prefer to speak with Mr. Walsh. Does he have any availability the week he returns or the week of the 17th?

Michelle Carnevale

Director of Appointments

Senate Minority Leader Jim Ananich

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From: Hall, Jean (GOV) [<mailto:hallj16@michigan.gov>]

Sent: Monday, August 3, 2015 3:37 PM

To: Michelle Carnevale <MCarnevale@senate.michigan.gov>

Subject: RE: PHONE CALL REQUEST: Senator Ananich and John Walsh

Hi Michelle,

John is out of the country and won't be back in the office until August 10th. Would the Senator like to schedule a call with our Deputy Director Chris Priest. He has availability between 8:30 and 10 a.m. tomorrow morning. Please let me know. Thank you.

Jean Hall

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Sent: Monday, August 03, 2015 3:34 PM

To: Hall, Jean (GOV)

Subject: PHONE CALL REQUEST: Senator Ananich and John Walsh

Hi Jean!

Senator Ananich would like to request a phone call with Mr. Walsh to discuss Flint water concerns. Would he have time tomorrow or even Wednesday this week?

Thanks!

Michelle

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Subject: RDS/JW/SW- PRINT interview with Hiram Jackson and Keith Owens of the Michigan Chronicle

Location: Governor's SEMI Office

Start: Mon 10/19/2015 11:05 AM

End: Mon 10/19/2015 11:30 AM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: GovCalendar

Required Attendees: Wurfel, Sara (GOV); Biehl, Laura (GOV); Murray, David (GOV); Hall, Jean (GOV); Walsh, John (GOV)

Purpose: To update the media about your work to improve education in Detroit and discuss proposed legislation.

Possible Topics:

- Detroit schools reform
- EAA/FBI probe
- Roads
- Flint water

Recent articles:

DPS schools highlight good attendance on Count Day: <http://michronicleonline.com/2015/10/06/dps-schools-highlight-good-attendance-on-count-day/>

LIFT working with Detroit STEM students on virtual game: <http://michronicleonline.com/2015/10/02/lift-working-with-detroit-stem-students-on-virtual-game/>

When will Detroit parents be allowed off the DPS plantation?: <http://michronicleonline.com/2015/10/06/when-will-detroit-parents-be-allowed-off-the-dps-plantation/>

Change on the horizon for DPS? Crime decline says so: <http://michronicleonline.com/2015/09/22/change-on-the-horizon-for-dps-crime-decline-says-so/>

NOTE: Keith Owens is the new editor of the Michigan Chronicle. He was most recently a communications consultant but worked at the Chronicle earlier in his career. He also did Communications for Wayne County's Treasurer's Office, was an opinion columnist for the Freep and wrote for Metro Times. Article about Keith's hiring:

<http://www.freep.com/story/money/business/michigan/2015/08/07/michigan-chronicle-editor/31282199/>

Last interview: 5/28/15 at Mackinac (with Bankole who now left the Chronicle)

Market: Southeast Michigan- online at michiganchronicle.com

Contact: Hiram Cell: [REDACTED]; Office: 313-963-5522

Subject: RDS/JW/DMurray- PRINT interview with Crain's Detroit Business' editorial and reporting teams

Location: 1155 Gratiot Ave, Detroit

Start: Mon 10/19/2015 11:15 AM

End: Mon 10/19/2015 11:45 AM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: GovCalendar

Required Attendees: Wurfel, Sara (GOV); Biehl, Laura (GOV); Murray, David (GOV); Hall, Jean (GOV); Walsh, John (GOV)

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Reporters participating:

Mary Kramer- publisher
Jennette Smith- editor
Michael Lee- new managing editor
Sherri Welch- senior reporter
Lindsay VanHulle – Lansing correspondent

Article from Sept on staff changes/promotions at Crain's:

<http://www.craisdetroit.com/article/20150911/NEWS/150919960/crains-hires-newsroom-staff-promotes-jennette-smith-to-editor>

Possible Topics:

- Detroit schools reform
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Recent articles:

Focus: Hope idles workforce training after state grants lapse-

<http://www.craisdetroit.com/article/20151011/NEWS/310119979/focus-hope-idles-workforce-training-after-state-grants-lapse>

DTE, Consumers Energy want to shut off Michigan's renewable energy mandates-

<http://www.craisdetroit.com/article/20151011/NEWS/310119977/dte-consumers-energy-want-to-shut-off-michigans-renewable-energy>

PSC: Energy efficiency programs should save Michigan customers \$4.2 billion-

<http://www.craisdetroit.com/article/20151002/BLOG020/151009958/psc-energy-efficiency-programs-should-save-michigan-customers-4-2>

Young Detroiters to experiment with entrepreneurship during Startup Weekend-

<http://www.craisdetroit.com/article/20151016/NEWS/151019914/young-detroiters-to-experiment-with-entrepreneurship-during-startup>

Last interview: 8/24/15 with Lindsay VanHulle from China

Market: Southeast Michigan- online at crainsdetroit.com

Contact: Michael cell: [REDACTED]; Jennette cell: [REDACTED]

Security POC: Barbara Cooney- [REDACTED]

Subject: RDS/JW/SW- PRINT interview with Detroit News' reporting and editorial teams
Location: 160 W. Fort St. Detroit, MI 48226 - 3rd Floor

Start: Mon 10/19/2015 12:55 PM
End: Mon 10/19/2015 1:35 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: GovCalendar
Required Attendees: Wurfel, Sara (GOV); Biehl, Laura (GOV); Murray, David (GOV); Hall, Jean (GOV); Walsh, John (GOV)

Purpose: To update the media about your work to improve education in Detroit and discuss proposed legislation.

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Reporters participating (Subject to change):

Ingrid Jacques
Kaitlyn Buss
John Wolman
Chad Livengood
Richard Burr
Shawn Lewis

NOTE: Nolan is in Paris with his granddaughter

Recent articles:

State's \$6M aid for Flint water switch signed into law:

<http://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/politics/2015/10/15/flint-get-aid-switch-drinking-water/73986956/>

Snyder: Road fund talks hit dead end: <http://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/politics/2015/10/13/michigan-roads/73870236/>

Gov. Snyder on the big game: 'Go Blue!': <http://www.detroitnews.com/story/sports/2015/10/12/gov-snyder-big-game-go-blue/73843434/>

Snyder signs law to let drivers show insurance on phone:

<http://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/politics/2015/10/08/snyder-signs-law-let-drivers-show-insurance-phone/73570554/>

Last interview: 9/16/15 with Daniel Howes from Japan

Market: Southeast Michigan / online – www.detroitnews.com

Contact: Ingrid cell: [REDACTED]; Ingrid desk: 313-223-4610

Subject: RDS/JW/SW- PRINT interview with Detroit Free Press' reporting and editorial teams
Location: 160 W. Fort St. Detroit, MI 48226 - 2nd Floor

Start: Mon 10/19/2015 1:40 PM
End: Mon 10/19/2015 2:20 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

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Ann Zaniwski
Lori Higgins
Paul Egan or Kathy Gray
Rochelle Riley
Tom Walsh

Recent articles:

Rochelle Riley: State must stop robbing Detroit schools: <http://www.freep.com/story/news/columnists/rochelle-riley/2015/10/10/state-must-stop-robbing-schools-michigan-funding-education-detroit/73223738/>

State funding for Flint water is just a down payment: <http://www.freep.com/story/news/columnists/rochelle-riley/2015/10/16/state-funding-flint-water-down-payment/73977446/>

Senate approves, Snyder signs cash for Flint water fix:

<http://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/2015/10/15/senate-gives-quick-unanimous-approval-flint-water-fix/73979168/>

Road deal: There may still be hope: <http://www.freep.com/story/news/politics/2015/10/14/road-funding-talks-enter-cooling-off-phase/73935602/>

State jobless rate below national average:

<http://www.freep.com/story/money/business/michigan/2015/10/14/michigan-unemployment-falls-below-national-average/73933978/>

Last interview: 9/16/15 w/ Matt Dolan re: Japan/Germany

Market: Southeast Michigan- online at freep.com

Contact: Selma- 313-222-6583; Jewel-248-739-6883

Subject: RDS/JW/SW- PRINT interview with Detroit Free Press' reporting and editorial teams
Location: 160 W. Fort St. Detroit, MI 48226 - 2nd Floor

Start: Mon 10/19/2015 1:40 PM
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Market: Southeast Michigan- online at freep.com

Contact: Selma- 313-222-6583; Jewel-248-739-6883

Subject: JW/Darnell Earley Call
Location: You Call him @ [REDACTED] (his cell)

Start: Fri 12/11/2015 1:30 PM
End: Fri 12/11/2015 2:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Organizer: Walsh, John (GOV)

From: Adler, Ari (GOV)
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2015 9:26 AM
To: Agen, Jarrod (GOV); Walsh, John (GOV)
Subject: Flint water PR

This is a public relations crisis – because of a real or perceived problem is irrelevant -- waiting to explode nationally.

If Flint had been hit with a natural disaster that affected its water system, the state would be stepping in to provide bottled water and other assistance. What can we do given the current circumstances?

Ari

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 <http://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/2015/01/22/water-woes-latest-hit-flint/22193291/>

Who wants to drink Flint's water?

By Robin Erb, Detroit Free Press 11:46 p.m. EST January 22, 2015



LeeAnne Walters 36 of Flint shows water samples from her home from Wednesday January 21, 2015 to Flint's new emergency manager Jerry Ambrose after city and state officials spoke during a forum discussing growing health concerns about the drinking water being raised by Flint residents on Wednesday January 21, 2015 at the Flint City Hall dome. (Photo: Ryan Garza, Detroit Free Press)

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Story Highlights

- Last fall, the city issued three advisories to boil the water after detecting coliform bacteria.
- One resident calls it "poop water."
- The water woes are the latest blows to a city where residents have felt swatted around for too long.

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In a city where residents have felt under siege for years — from crime, bad press and an emergency manager some feel forced upon them — the newest threat pours from kitchen spigots and showerheads.

It's the reason behind mysterious rashes on local children, parents say. Unexplained illnesses. Even sick pets.

Bethany Hazard said it's the reason for the brown rust circles that began appearing just months ago around her drains and the oily film in her bathwater in her longtime east-side home.

On the west side of Flint, Corodon Maynard said it's the reason he was bent retching violently over the toilet this month — just hours after chugging two glasses of water at bedtime.

"I was throwing up like bleach water. It came up through my nose burning," said the 20-year-old.

The water from the city system is so corrosive, according to General Motors officials, that the automaker's Flint Engine Operations pulled off the city water system, connecting instead into a water system operated by nearby Flint Township.

So what's in Flint's water and just how dangerous is it?

It depends on who you ask and what tests you're referring to.

State tests suggest the water is clear of coliform bacteria, which can suggest the presence of other disease-carrying pathogens.

But as a result of treating the water to kill any dangerous microorganisms, the water now carries low levels of Total Trihalomethane, or TTHM, a by-product of the disinfectants. Years of exposure may cause liver, kidney or central nervous system problems and an increased risk of cancer, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

The city maintains the water — pulled from the Flint River rather than the Detroit water system that had served the city for years — is safe.

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Mayor Dayne Walling who was born and raised in Flint, said he drinks it.

The river, long known for the toxins left from Flint's industrial years, is cleaner than it has been in years, "but that perception persists," Walling said.

That the possibility of bacteria and the TTHM levels were detected and then diminished, he said, is proof that the system works.

But the system is in desperate need of infrastructure improvements and experienced water treatment staff, Walling said.

Earlier this week, he asked for help from Gov. Rick Snyder to implement a new plan that called for those things.

"There is nothing more important in Flint right now than fixing the water problems," he wrote.

And communication is key, he added.

Experts talk

In a city hall meeting Wednesday, the city invited experts to talk to residents. They included representatives from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, the EPA, and a Michigan State University microbiologist whose life work has been in studying water safety.

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In an immediate sense, the water is safe to drink, they assured the crowd.

Discoloration is most likely iron and calcium being sloughed off old city pipes as new water is being pushed into the system.

But while scientists talked in terms of parts-per-billion and testing and chemical reactions and future monitoring, residents held onto jugs of discolored water — water they said tasted funny and smelled terrible.

That's where it gets tricky, said Joan Rose, the MSU microbiologist.

When it comes to a life-giving liquid we turn to countless times a day for survival, appearance and smell is important as well as keeping it clean of pathogens and toxins, she said.

"You're so intimate with water. You drink it. You wash with it. You bathe in it," she said. "You can't blame anyone for the frustration. Everyone wants safe and wholesome water."

This much can be agreed upon: The city's water problems have worn residents raw with anger.

Some claim city officials are trying to cover up missteps and even political shenanigans. Some have accused city leadership of outright poisoning them.

"I've taken to calling it 'poop water,' " said Nayyirah Shariff, a community activist for the grassroots group Democracy Defense League.

Many said they are ready to abandon longtime homes.

"What we have is a full-blown crisis," said GM retiree Claire McClinton who had bundled up against the snow earlier this week to run into El Potrero Mexican restaurant for a late lunch.

But she reconsidered at the last minute and walked out instead, worried about eating at restaurants that rely on city water in their kitchens.

She's not the only customer who is concerned.

Business overall has been hit "probably 20 to 30%," said manager Jorge Alcazar.

The restaurant's lifeblood is in customers seeking a quick, affordable lunch, often with a glass of ice water.

Unwilling to drink the tap water, customers also don't want to pay \$2 or more for a pop or buy a bottled water.

Worse for waitress Ashley Trujillo, customers have argued with staff. One customer left three pennies as a tip after fuming about having to pay for water. Others have left nothing.

"Like we have something to do with it," Trujillo said.

All of this — the frustration, the slump in El Potrero's business, the jam-packed meetings with residents toting jugs of brown water and claims they are being poisoned — are the latest blows to a city that has felt swatted around for too long.

"People think all the crime happens in Flint and everyone is poor in Flint, so there's this stigma. Now we're fighting against dirty water. Really?" said radiology coder Cindy Marshall, who joined about two dozen protesters earlier this week.

"Are you trying to kill us?" read one sign. "No more poison," read another.

McClinton echoed Marshall's sentiments: "We've lost confidence in the city."

Soaring bills

For years, residents in this city bleeding jobs and soaked in red ink have been facing growing water bills. Some have climbed as high as several hundred dollars a month.

"We have residents choosing between water and groceries and other bills," said Hazard, whose own bill is about \$100 a month for a single person.

"I feel like I'm going under," said Hazard, who survived cancer twice and who was forced into early retirement and limited income.

The city eventually decided to dump the Detroit system in favor of the Karegnondi Water Authority, which is building a system to supply Genesee County with water pulled from Lake Huron. In the long run, this will mean lower water costs, officials have said.

Under the plan, Flint is temporarily pulling water from the Flint River until the water authority's system comes online, expected in 2016.

In August and September, however, the city issued three advisories to boil the water after detecting coliform bacteria.

Just before Christmas, residents received notices that state tests indicated higher-than-acceptable levels of trihalomethane, the disinfectant by-product.

Hazard's cats have been sick. So has she and several neighbors. Even her houseplant began to die.

Maynard threw up. Residents complained of rashes and mysterious illnesses.

"We just want safe water. How hard is that?" Hazard asked.

But assurances come with qualifiers.

The chlorine did its job and cleaned the water of microbial pathogens that can cause disease within days. That means the water is safe for healthy people to drink for a short time, said Michael Prysby, a district engineer in the state's Office of Drinking Water and Municipal Assistance.

But the trade-off was TTMH — possibly a danger for the very young, the very old, or the very sick if they ingest it long-term, he added.

"But we're talking decades," he said, adding that those who are worried should talk to their doctors.

"We don't want to make a blanket statement to say water is safe or unsafe. It's misleading both ways."

That's the kind of answer that infuriates Marshall, the protester and mother of a 5-year-old.

"They said it's safe, but it's brown water," said Marshall, also a radiology coder, after the meeting. "Why do we have to drink brown water? No one else has to drink brown water."

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From: Agen, Jarrod (GOV)
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2015 10:33 AM
To: Adler, Ari (GOV); Walsh, John (GOV)
Subject: Fwd: Flint water talking points and background
Attachments: Addressing Flint's Water Concerns final.docx; ATT00001.htm; Flint Water TPs.docx; ATT00002.htm

Dave has been working with DEQ and Treasury on it.
This is what I know so far. More to come.

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Murray, David (GOV)" <MurrayD1@michigan.gov>
Date: January 22, 2015 at 9:34:41 PM EST
To: "Agen, Jarrod (GOV)" <AgenJ@michigan.gov>, "Silfven, Ken (GOV)" <silfvenk@michigan.gov>, "Biehl, Laura (GOV)" <BiehlL@michigan.gov>, "Wurfel, Sara (GOV)" <Wurfels@michigan.gov>, "Paciorek, Josh (GOV)" <Paciorekj@michigan.gov>, "Rexford, Tori (GOV)" <rexfordt@michigan.gov>
Subject: Flint water talking points and background

Good evening team,

Terry Stanton, working with Brad and Jerry Ambrose, drafted talking points and background on the Flint water issues.

If asked, Terry suggests the governor say:

Residents deserve clean, safe water and EM Jerry Ambrose, his management team and the DEQ are working to ensure that...and that the State will be a resource where and when possible, as we have with other issues, such as public safety.

Terry said he cannot speak to other "requests" in the Mayor's letter (dated 1-18), which seek waivers, Federal and State funding, etc. He said the city is committed to addressing the issue and in fact, has taken numerous steps (with guidance and/or approval from DEQ) to date.

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Addressing Flint's Water Concerns

Recent events have raised concerns among many as to the safety and quality of the water provided by the City's utility system. The City is and continues to be committed to assuring that residents and visitors know that the water is safe and that those responsible for providing water are working every day to improve the quality of the water. The quality of the water does need improvement, but that is not to be confused with safety of the water. The recent notice by MDEQ clearly stated that the water provided by the utility system is safe to drink, but cautioned that some vulnerable groups may want to consult with their health care provider if they have concerns. The City remains committed to their efforts to assure that the water is safe for everyone and that quality is improved.

To date, the City has taken the following actions:

- As an integral part of the transition to the Flint River on a temporary basis, the MDEQ was consulted about the City's plans, and ultimately issued necessary permits to proceed. The City also engaged the services of the LAN engineering firm to guide the city in installing the necessary equipment to treat the water on an ongoing basis. This resulted in the development of a comprehensive drinking water plan.
- The City monitors its water quality on a daily basis to assure that water quality remains within established guidelines. With the variances in water temperature and the leakage and infiltration problems arising as the result of failure of parts of the distribution system, water quality did exceed, for a time some of the established guidelines. This resulted in the issuance of the recent notices to the public. Upon receipt of information that some guidelines were exceeded, the City's priority focus was to bring water quality back within guidelines. Efforts taken to address non-compliance included increasing water flow through valve replacements and hydrant flushing and optimizing treatment processes.
- The City has committed to increasing communication with the public in order to inform water users factually of the issues which have arisen, to alleviate unnecessary concern, to identify the steps being taken to address the issues. This is being implemented through detailed and easy to understand educational materials being made available both online and at City Hall, as well as through ongoing public informational meetings.
- Most recently, in light of recent concerns raised by resident groups over the quality and safety of water, Department of Public Works Director Howard Croft and his staff collected questions from citizens during a recent public meeting. After reviewing these questions, DPW Director Croft and his staff set out to answer them in concise detail; the result of that work is a full Water System Questions and Answers document which has been made available online. Along with the detailed information within, the document also contains links to other source documents and regulatory statutes found online which were used as reference. "We want the residents, businesses and visitors of Flint to know that the water in Flint is safe and that we are working every day to make improvements to our system to ensure that," said Croft. "Our goal is make sure we get people the

information on our efforts and assure them that we are on the right track with them.” More documentation, including regular water quality monitoring reports, will be made available as they become ready for distribution.

- Additionally, a number of public meetings have and will continue to take place. Two of the most recent of these took place at the Antioch Baptist Church and the Mott Community College Regional Technology Center. These meetings were held by concerned neighborhood groups and were attended by Mayor Walling and DPW Director Croft. At both meetings, citizens voiced their concerns and asked questions about water quality and the recent violation notice. Director Croft offered detailed answers to common questions, but also offered to investigate specific water issues raised by residents in which the City could offer assistance. Those in attendance came away with a better understanding of the issues surrounding the drinking water in their community.
- The City of Flint will be hosting a water presentation on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 7pm. That presentation will be held in the City Hall Dome and will feature information detailing water treatment, water distribution and the steps being taken to ensure that citizens get water that meets all regulatory safety and quality standards. City DPW officials Howard Croft and Daugherty Johnson, Utilities Administrator, will be joined on a panel by representatives from the Genesee County Drain Commissioner’s office, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and LAN engineering. Written questions from the audience will be collected during the presentation and answered by the panel after the presentation.
- The City of Flint has also determined that in light of the serious concerns raised, it will secure the services of an external firm with expertise in managing drinking water quality to assess the steps that the city has taken, to make recommendations as to other steps to be taken, to oversee their implementation, and to monitor operations until the City’s water source becomes the KWA. A Request for Proposal was issued on January 15, 2015, with proposals due back on January 26.

The DWSD Question:

As a result of the concerns raised, several community members have suggested that the City reconnect to the Detroit Water and Sewer Department (DWSD). DWSD has advised that they would be willing to allow such a reconnection without a hook-up fee. However, the City would be obligated to pay a fixed monthly charge of \$846,700 plus the \$14.92/Mcf cost of water itself. The City’s analysis of the DWSD proposal concludes that the City’s cost would increase by more than \$12 million per year at the proposed rates, and could increase even more as proposed rates are subject to change after July 1, 2015. This increase in costs would not be in the best interests of the City or its water users, as the City is committed to assuring safety and improving water quality by following its current plan, and reconnecting to DWSD would likely require deferment of existing capital improvements or an additional increase in rates.

Talking Points:

The City, in conjunction with the Dept. of Environmental Quality, is working diligently...every day...to ensure Flint residents have access to clean, safe water. To that end, the City has issued an RFP soliciting expert assistance to assure the City is doing everything it needs to be doing.

The city continues to work closely with staff from the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to ensure water meets safety guidelines, that water operations are managed properly, and all regulations are met.

The city is committed to addressing the issue and continues to pursue its strategy.

Background:

On December 16, 2014, the City of Flint received a violation notice from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), stating the City water samples were in violation of Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCL), a violation of the Safe Drinking Water Act (PA 399 of 1976).

The DEQ considers the violation period to have begun December 1, 2014. The violation was triggered when water sample reports showed that the City's water quality, on average, exceed the total allowable level of *Disinfection Byproducts* during the first three quarters of 2014. Further, four of the City's eight water sample site locations individually exceeded allowable MCL levels during the same period of 2014.

These conditions are considered a Tier 2 violation and, as a result, the City was required to notify the public of these contamination levels by January 10, 2015 (which was done) and continue to notify them every three months until the violation is resolved.

The City outlined some potential remedies to the problem in its initial Operational Evaluation Report, dated November 26, 2014. These potential remedies are intended to be implemented in stages. Stage 1 consists of actions that can be implemented without any new construction within the distribution system and are due to be implemented by early March 2015.

- Troubleshooting of the ozone system.
- Implementation of different testing methods.
- Operational changes at the Water Treatment Plant.
- Increase water main flushing efforts to minimize stagnant water.
- Identify areas with high water age and implement preemptive measures.

The City will be providing additional potential solutions when it updates the Operational Evaluation Report, which must be submitted to the DEQ by March 1, 2015.

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Additional information:

State and city officials have said exposure to TTHM is a long-term concern for some if they drink water with elevated TTHM for several decades.

Notices indicated that Flint water is safe to drink but warns those with a "severely compromised immune systems or who are elderly" may be at increased risk and should seek advice about drinking water from your health care provider.

The city and county are partners in the Karegnondi Water Authority, which is building a pipeline to Lake Huron to bring lake water here for use by the end of 2016.

Returning to DWSD would add approximately \$1 million (monthly) to the City expenses.

Subject: RDS/DM/JW - Darnell Earley Monthly Meeting
Location: Governor's SE MI Office

Start: Mon 10/19/2015 3:00 PM
End: Mon 10/19/2015 3:30 PM
Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: GovCalendar
Required Attendees: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV); Walsh, John (GOV)

From: Allard, Claire (GOV)
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2015 2:09 PM
To: Walsh, John (GOV)
Subject: Re: Flint Water

John, Should I let Treasury know we will be moving forward? Or should I wait until the end of the day to hear anything back from Dennis and/or Beth?

Sent from my iPad

On Jan 30, 2015, at 1:58 PM, "Walsh, John (GOV)" <WalshJ@michigan.gov> wrote:

Dave, if you need anything as you plan next Tuesday's announcement in Flint, please contact Mike Brownfield. In addition, please note that Claire Allard is quite familiar with the distressed city grants.

Thank you.

From: Allard, Claire (GOV)
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2015 4:53 PM
To: Walsh, John (GOV)
Cc: Brownfield, Michael (GOV); Hall, Jean (GOV)
Subject: FW: Flint FDCVT Project Summaries

Importance: High

Fyi below. Not sure if you were on the below mentioned call so I just thought I would shoot this to you. Dennis dropped by my office and told me we are good to go on the FDCVT grant announcements. I let my contact at Treasury know.

From: Stanton, Terry A. (Treasury)
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2015 4:19 PM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Allard, Claire (GOV); Wurfel, Sara (GOV); Murray, David (GOV)
Cc: Posthumus, Dick (GOV); Wurfel, Brad (DEQ); Hollins, Harvey (GOV)
Subject: Flint FDCVT Project Summaries
Importance: High

All...see below. As noted on the 1:30 conf call, both are "related" to water.

Flint Incinerator

The grant project entails shutting down the current Water Pollution Control Facility Incinerator (due to the incinerator not being up to new EPA standards). In order to meet EPA standards, it would cost roughly \$8.8M in upgrades to the current incinerator. The grant funding will allow them to replace the functions of the old incinerator by constructing new facilities which will allow for the disposal of waste to landfills.

Budget Breakdown

Construction Contractor	\$1,050,000
Project Management	<u>\$50,000</u>
Total	\$1,100,000

Flint Leak Detection

The grant project will allow the city to hire a contractor to perform a leak detection survey of the city water lines. The city will receive a map of leak locations and an assessment of leak severity. This data will allow the city to prioritize leak repair. The project also covers the expense of conducting a water pipe line wall thickness condition assessment on a portion of the city's pipes. The assessment will guide the city's water main replacement program.

Budget Breakdown

Project Planning	\$90,000
Mobilization of Crew to Site	\$27,000
Leak Detection < 16" diameter	\$378,000
Leak Detection 16" diameter or >	\$270,000
Pipe Condition Assessments	<u>\$135,000</u>

Total	\$900,000
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From: Murray, David (GOV)
Sent: Monday, February 02, 2015 1:34 PM
To: Agen, Jarrod (GOV); Stanton, Terry A. (Treasury); Wurfel, Sara (GOV); Wurfel, Brad (DEQ); Biehl, Laura (GOV); Hollins, Harvey (GOV); Clayton, Stacie (GOV); Walsh, John (GOV); Brownfield, Michael (GOV); Allard, Claire (GOV); Rexford, Tori (GOV)
Subject: Flint event on Tuesday
Attachments: 2 FDCVT Grant Awards draft.docx; Briefing Flint grant announcement.docx; RELEASE Flint water grants.docx

Good afternoon team,

Just wanted to touch base on Tuesday's event in Flint. Unless told otherwise, I'm continuing to prepare for the event.

I touched base with Harvey and Stacie, who recommended we proceed. Harvey is approaching some stakeholders about appearing at the event, and will forward those names to me later today.

I left a message with Dick Posthumus to see if he has any concerns about proceeding.

The Senate Democrats said Sen. Ananich will want to appear. Katie Carey from the House said she would forward information to Rep. Neeley and Phelps. I have not heard back from her yet.

I've attached the backgrounder and the draft releases from Governor's Communications and Treasury. I've sent a message to the mayor's office about a quote, but have not heard back yet.

Brad and I spoke about Director Wyant's role and potential comments. He will point out that there are things the state can do to help monitor the situation, but also will note that the city's water infrastructure is aging, which contributes to the problems.

We need some direction on an advisory. Should this be listed on a typical advisory from the governor's office, or come from Treasury? Do we even issue an advisory in favor of just contacting media directly in the morning?

Please give the draft releases a read for potential changes, or let me know of other concerns.

Thank you!

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Gov. Rick Snyder announces grants helping distressed municipalities with water, public safety, appraisal issues

\$8 million awarded for projects aimed at improving services, quality of life

LANSING, Mich. -- Gov. Rick Snyder today awarded \$8 million to six municipalities to fund various improvement projects, including water system and street lighting enhancements and technology upgrades through the Financially Distressed Cities, Villages, and Townships Grant Program.

Municipalities are eligible for the grants if they are experiencing one or more conditions indicative of "probable financial stress," as defined by Public Act 436 of 2012, the Local Financial Stability and Choice Act.

"Municipalities receiving this special funding are some of the areas hardest hit by the Great Recession," Snyder said. "I am pleased we can offer funding assistance to help these local governments improve various public services their taxpayers and residents expect and deserve."

Under the grant program, funding may be used to pay for specific projects, services, or strategies that move a city, village, or township toward financial stability. There was \$8 million appropriated for the program with a \$2 million cap, per local unit.

The following communities will receive funding this year, with projects and amounts noted (alphabetical order):

Local Unit	Project Description	Amount
City of Benton Harbor	Complete a property reappraisal to provide updated and accurate assessing records. Additionally, community enhancement through blight management and sidewalk replacement.	\$475,000
City of Benton Harbor	Water system enhancement through water main replacements and fire hydrant repairs.	\$434,960
City of Ecorse	Public safety enhancement through improved street lighting.	\$350,000

City of Flint	Water system enhancement through improved waste management.	\$1,100,000
City of Flint	Water system enhancement through leak detection and pipe assessments.	\$900,000
City of Hamtramck	Complete a property reappraisal to provide updated and accurate assessing records.	\$167,860
City of Hamtramck	Upgrade City Hall security.	\$50,000
City of Hamtramck	Public safety enhancement through improved street lighting.	\$404,600
City of Highland Park	Water system enhancement through meter replacement, leak detection, and system repairs.	\$2,000,000
City of Inkster	Complete a property reappraisal to provide updated and accurate assessing records.	\$73,460
City of Inkster	Water system enhancement through fire hydrant repairs.	\$150,000
City of Inkster	Provide a backup power source for public safety.	\$30,000
City of Inkster	Public safety enhancement through the creation of a multi-jurisdictional narcotic team.	\$240,000
City of Inkster	Public safety enhancement through police officer training.	\$41,970
City of Inkster	Public safety enhancement through the deployment of an additional police officer.	\$320,000
City of Lincoln Park	Public safety enhancement through updated technology.	\$143,490
City of Melvindale	Public safety enhancement through fleet replacement of police vehicles and updated technology.	\$88,000
City of Pontiac	Community enhancement through blight management.	\$125,000
City of River Rouge	Public safety enhancement through improved street lighting. Additionally, infrastructure replacements to City Hall.	\$591,508
Royal Oak Township	Public safety enhancement through improved street lighting	\$86,559
Royal Oak Township	Public safety enhancement of police services.	\$217,593

Applications for the next round of Financially Distressed Cities, Villages, and Townships Grant Program will be available on the Department of Treasury website this spring. Applications must be submitted to Treasury by the close of business on XXX, XXX 31, 2015.

Preference is generally given to applicants from local units in which:

- A financial emergency has been declared in the past five years;
- An approved deficit elimination plan for the general fund is currently in place; or,
- Two or more conditions indicating “probable financial distress” currently exist.

For more information about FDCVT grants, including an application for cities, villages, and townships, visit www.michigan.gov/revenuesharing.

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*Conditions of “probable financial distress” relating solely to school districts are not included as conditions for FDCVT, as school districts are not eligible.

Briefing: Grant announcement in Flint

Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2015, 3-4 p.m.

Haskell Community Center, 2201 Forest Hills Ave. Flint

Governor's communications: Dave Murray, murrayd1@michigan.gov, 517-449-8343

DEQ communications: Brad Wurfel, wurfelb@michigan.gov, 517-230-8006

Treasury communications: Terry Stanton, stantont@michigan.gov, 517-830-5807

Purpose

The state government is providing support for the Flint government as it addresses issues with its water system. The state on Tuesday is announcing that Flint is receiving two grants totaling \$2 million related to water system improvements through the Financially Distressed Cities, Villages and Townships grant program. DEQ Director Dan Wyant will address ongoing efforts with his agency to test Flint water and explain why the city is facing some of its problems. Senate Minority Leader Jim Ananich, D-Flint, will discuss his appreciation for the ongoing support for the city and its residents.

Attending

- Harvey Hollins, director of the Michigan Office of Urban Initiatives
- Dan Wyant, director of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality
- Wayne Workman, deputy treasurer, Michigan Department of Treasury
- Jerry Ambrose, Flint emergency manager
- Dayne Walling, Flint mayor
- State Sen. Jim Ananich
- State Rep. Sheldon Neeley
- State Rep. Phil Phelps

Agenda

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| 3:00 PM – 3:05 PM: | Harvey Hollins announces that Flint has received two grants totaling \$2 million. |
| 3:05 PM – 3:10 PM: | Dan Wyant discusses the state's ongoing role in monitoring Flint's water and any assistance that has been provided and will continue to be provided. |
| 3:10 PM – 3:15 PM: | Mayor Dayne Walling remarks about appreciation for state assistance. |
| 3:15 PM – 3:20 PM: | Sen. Jim Ananich remarks about appreciation for state assistance. |
| 3:20 PM – 3:25 PM: | Rep. Neeley remarks. |
| 3:25 PM – 3:35 PM: | Harvey Hollins closing remarks, opens floor to media questions. |
| 3:35 PM | Event ends, though this might be optimistic. |

Background

- The quality of Flint water has been a high-profile concern in recent weeks, with residents complaining about the color, taste and smell of tap water since a switch to Flint River water as a temporary source as a pipeline is built to Lake Huron as a water source starting in 2016.
 - Residents have attended meetings with jugs of brownish water.
 - U.S. Kildee has worked with labor and community groups to distribute bottled water.
- Mayor Walling has issued a letter (included below) calling for state and federal assistance for the city, including forgiveness of some \$20 million in debt through the Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund and calling for the governor to come to Flint personally.
 - Walling also submitted a guest column to the Flint Journal with similar requests.

- He said the loan forgiveness is needed for the city to upgrade its water treatment process.
- Governor and Mayor Walling had a telephone conversation on Friday, and the mayor has pledged to work together on solutions.
- Rep. Sheldon Neeley also has sent the governor a letter, saying that his constituents “are on the verge of civil unrest.”
- The Department of Environmental Quality has been monitoring the water situation, with a detailed backgrounder and talking points attached below.
- The Treasury Department is announcing Tuesday that Flint is among the cities receiving a combined \$8 million the Financially Distressed Cities, Villages and Townships grant program.
 - The announcement of the other grants will follow the Flint announcement.
 - The Flint grants are \$1.1 million to allow the city to replace the functions of the old incinerator with new water pollution control facility allowing for the disposal of waste to landfills.
 - The other is \$900,000 to allow the city to hire a contractor to perform a leak detection survey, which will lead to prioritizing repairs.
 - A breakdown of the grants is included below.

Treasury breakdown of Flint grants

Flint Incinerator: The grant project entails shutting down the current Water Pollution Control Facility Incinerator (due to the incinerator not being up to new EPA standards). In order to meet EPA standards, it would cost roughly \$8.8M in upgrades to the current incinerator. The grant funding will allow them to replace the functions of the old incinerator by constructing new facilities which will allow for the disposal of waste to landfills.

Budget Breakdown

Construction Contractor	\$1,050,000
Project Management	<u>\$50,000</u>
Total	\$1,100,000

Flint Leak Detection: The grant project will allow the city to hire a contractor to perform a leak detection survey of the city water lines. The city will receive a map of leak locations and an assessment of leak severity. This data will allow the city to prioritize leak repair. The project also covers the expense of conducting a water pipe line wall thickness condition assessment on a portion of the city’s pipes. The assessment will guide the city’s water main replacement program.

Budget Breakdown

Project Planning	\$90,000
Mobilization of Crew to Site	\$27,000
Leak Detection < 16” diameter	\$378,000
Leak Detection 16” diameter or >	\$270,000
Pipe Condition Assessments	<u>\$135,000</u>
Total	\$900,000

DEQ backgrounder on Flint water

Following the formal approval of Flint into the KWA in 2012, DWSD sent Flint a letter saying their contract was thereby terminated (by early 2013).

Genesee County has been using DWSD water without a contract since May 2014. But Flint took the letter to imply a water cutoff, and promptly turned to DEQ with a proposal to use the Flint River (their historic backup system).

This proposed shift was pitched primarily as a money saver. But it put the city in the business of water production, where they historically had been in the business of water transmission. DEQ approved the use of the river as a source, based on the treatment plant's past performance as a standby facility and the improvements we outlined prior to a switchover.

Several municipalities around the state use surface water supplies (rivers): Blissfield near Monroe, Manistique, and Alma to name a few.

The city completed the upgrades at the water plant the facility and DEQ approved it April 2014.

There were some initial hiccups. Last summer, there were a couple of 'boil water' notices issued. One for a water test that showed e. coli, one for a break in the water main.

The challenge to using the Flint River as a source is that the condition of the water is variable and changes with season and weather. It has substantially more organic matter than deep lake sources like Lake Huron. This organic matter is mobilized by high water events, and warm weather also can account for more organic material in the water.

The treatment of the organic matter is done with chlorine. One might conclude that the continual answer is just to use more chlorine to achieve water safety. However, at some point on the continuum, the chlorine and organic matter create TTHM – total trihalomethanes – as a byproduct. When the standard for those is exceeded over several consecutive quarters of testing, the supply is required by law to issue public notice and submit an approved plan for addressing the situation.

You'll note that this regulatory approach means TTHM testing is done quarterly. That means people who use the system are exposed to TTHM for several months before the public notice is required. It's because TTHM is a chronic health threat. Over the long term (measured in decades), continued exposure can contribute to some known health problems. If this were an immediate health threat, customers would receive immediate notification to boil their water or not use it.

Put in context, the EPA (which established the standard and the rule) estimates the existence of the TTHM standard prevents an estimated 280 bladder cancer cases each year ... out of more than 330 million people who use public water supplies around the country.

It's not "nothing." State and federal law requires quarterly testing for TTHM and that the public be informed of it when the annual average of four quarters' worth of consecutive testing shows TTHM levels exceeding 80 parts per billion. Flint's results managed to exceed the annual average in three quarters, and they must develop a plan to address it.

But it's not like an eminent threat to public health. Unlike an e. Coli or even total coliform bacteria maximum contaminant level, which require immediate public notification and response and are part of daily / hourly testing of public water supplies, TTHMs pose a public health concern with chronic, long-term exposure.

It's clear the nature of the threat was communicated poorly. It's also clear that folks in Flint are concerned about other aspects of their water – taste, smell and color being among the top complaints.

The Safe Drinking Water Act requires public water supplies be tested for more than 90 regulated contaminants, including microbial contaminants. The act, and the program here in Michigan, work to ensure that water is safe to drink. The act does not regulate aesthetic values of water. Here are some factors affecting the aesthetics of water in Flint.

1. It's the Flint River. The water supplied by DWSD historically came from Lake Huron. It's softer. With hard water, you get a different flavor and feel. It's why General Motors suspended use of Flint Water – it was rusting their parts. Also, there's the 'organics' factor (discussed previously).
2. The system is old. Flint has more than 500 miles of water pipes. More than half of those pipe miles are more than 75 years old. Much of it is cast iron. Hard water can react with cast iron and exacerbates the rusty factor, which creates that brown water that angry residents were holding up in jugs for the media cameras last week. Valve failure has also been a key challenge. The system has an estimated 7,500+ valves. When they stick open or stick shut, it affects the hydraulics of the system and increase areas of stagnation. The city has a backlog of valves that need to be addressed. They've done half a dozen or so since November.
3. Flint is old. Many of the homes served by the system are old. Brown water complaints may also be attributable to cast iron pipes in customers' service connection to the city lines. The DEQ has been encouraging people with water coloration concerns to contact the city and see whether it is the service line or the City's line causing the issue. Again, discoloration is not an indicator of water quality or water safety, but we recognize that nobody likes it.

In summary, the City of Flint has tremendous need to address its water delivery system. We are not aware that they have any capital improvement funds for preventative maintenance in place, much less line replacement project monies that will require hundreds of millions.

The City was approved for a Revolving Fund loan in 2008 or 2009. As a Distressed Community, they qualified for flexible terms and 2 percent interest rate Revolving Fund Loan. After they were notified they were approved for the loan, they declined it. Previous SRF loans from the state to Flint bear an outstanding balance of \$20.7 million today.

The DEQ continues working with the city to address the TTHM issue. They can take interim steps – from scrubbing the insides of transmission lines to carefully monitoring the hydraulic challenges in their system – to address customers' aesthetic concerns. Their TTHM numbers already are showing dramatic improvement; the November testing showed only one of seven sample points exceeding the standard.

The key now is that the standard is an average of three quarters' worth of results. It will be some time before they are officially "not in violation." However, depending on weather in 2015, it's not unforeseeable that we will be having this conversation again by next Christmas.

The key to the conversation is that TTHM is not a top health concern. That's key because residents need to understand TTHM in context, and it is key because it appears the mayor has seized on the public panic (sparked, frankly, by their poor communication of the violation notice) to ask the state for loan forgiveness and more money for their infrastructure improvement.

Another key thing to remember is that once the city connects to the new KWA system in 2016, this issue will fade in the rearview.

Key messages:

1. The DEQ Drinking Water program works with communities around the state to ensure that municipalities provide customers with clean, safe drinking water.
2. Municipal water supplies are tested rigorously and regularly for more than 90 regulated contaminants, including microbial contaminants that pose an immediate public health concern.

3. Flint's exceedance of the TTHM standard should reassure residents that the testing program is effective.
4. TTHM is not an immediate health threat. It is a chronic concern, one that can be problematic over the course of several decades of exposure. The public was notified because the law requires the city to make public notification, so that everyone can make informed decisions. This is particularly true for people with infants or those with compromised immune systems.
5. The DEQ is working with the City to address the situation. Recent tests show the TTHM numbers dropping rapidly. The department will continue working with the city in the months ahead, and residents should feel confident that their water is safe to drink unless the DEQ or City notifies them otherwise.
6. The discoloration and odor issues some Flint residents are experiencing are separate issues from the TTHM issue. TTHM is odorless, colorless and measured in parts per billion.
7. Flint water customers who have questions or concerns about their water should first contact the city to get answers and help. They also can contact the Michigan DEQ.

Mayor Walling's Facebook post

Friend,

Access to clean, safe, affordable water is a basic human right.

That's why I just sent Gov. Snyder my Flint Water Improvement Plan. It focuses on the areas of safety, quality, access, investment and education. My letter urges the governor to quickly implement these ideas so that Flint's water is 100% safe.

Please contact Gov. Snyder by calling (517) 335-6397 (or by clicking [here](#)) and ask him to take action immediately to implement my plan and ensure Flint's water is safe.

My plan offers new ideas and also builds on successful models of utility, energy and assistance programs at the state and federal levels. Here is my plan:

Safety & Quality

- 100% Safety is the standard
- City of Flint releases testing data to assure safety and expands testing to households with support from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality
- Support alternatives for those advised not to drink the water by their doctors through the Michigan Health Endowment Fund and community partners to protect the vulnerable like seniors and infants
- Bring on experienced river water treatment operational management in the City of Flint
- Require water testing data to be released quarterly by law in all Michigan communities

Access

- Announce an amnesty program for turn-ons and reduce the turn-on cost in Flint
- Develop a revised payment plan policy to allow customers to come back on to the Flint system
- New Federal and State partnership to establish new Drinking Water Emergency Assistance Fund for customers (modeled on Federal and State energy utility programs: Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program; Michigan Energy Assistance Program; State Emergency Relief)

Investment

- Accelerate water system improvements outlined in the City of Flint Capital Improvement Plan through Federal and State Investments
- State approves City of Flint's Distressed Cities Fund applications
- Federal and State forgiveness of payment to Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund

- Federal and State financing for future improvements
- City Water Department implements budgeted FY15 projects including leak detection, valve repairs, new pipes and meter replacements

Education

- Develop a community partnership to provide household and business customers with information on testing and conservation
- Ongoing partnership with Michigan Department of Human Services, United Way, Salvation Army and community organizations to provide information on water assistance
- Expand youth energy initiative to assist households with conservation and efficiency (piloted in summer 2014 with Northwestern High School students, EcoWorks and Consumers Energy)

The struggle with our water has gone on for too long. The state must take action and do its part. Please ask Gov. Snyder to take action immediately to implement my plan and ensure Flint's water is safe. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Links to coverage

- [Mayor, governor have 'long, productive' talk about Flint's water problems](#), Jan. 30
- [2,000 more gallons of water headed to Flint for giveaway](#), Jan. 30, 2015
- [Flint emergency manager says there are two big reasons not to reconnect Detroit water](#), Jan. 29
- [Flint Democracy Defense League plans four meetings on city's water problems](#), Jan. 29
- [Environmentalist sends out new warnings about Flint water](#), NBC, Jan. 27
- [Erin Brockovich says on Facebook she's prepared to come to Flint](#), MLive, Jan. 27
- [Mott Community College not waiting for Flint to ensure safe water](#), MLive, Jan. 26
- [Detroit water chief says she's willing to sell emergency water to Flint -- no strings attached](#), Jan. 26
- [Mayor says governor needs to visit Flint to see water crisis first hand](#), MLive, Jan. 26
- [Need water? Flint groups collect 600 cases, plan distribution this week](#), MLive, Jan. 26
- [Incoming Flint water expert would have 'continual oversight' until new pipeline connected](#), Jan. 25
- [Looking back at Flint's water problems \(photo gallery\)](#), MLive, Jan. 25
- [Flint water problems: Switch aimed to save \\$5 million -- but at what cost?](#), MLive, Jan. 23
- [State says its already 'working diligently' on Flint's water problems](#), MLive, Jan. 22
- [Officials say Flint water is getting better, but many residents unsatisfied](#), MLive, Jan. 21



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Gov. Rick Snyder awards Flint \$2 million in Distressed Cities grants for water system infrastructure improvements

Funding to be used for leak detection, waste incinerator replacement

LANSING, Mich. – Gov. Rick Snyder today awarded Flint \$2 million in grants for water system infrastructure improvements, part of an overall \$8 million plan to help cities through the Financially Distressed Cities, Villages, and Townships Grant Program.

Flint is among six municipalities receiving grants through the program. The city will use the funding to detect leaks in its water lines and replace its Water Pollution Control Facility Incinerator.

“There are opportunities for the state government to assist Flint city leaders as they address issues related to the city’s water system,” Snyder said. “These grants will help recovering cities improve public services and infrastructure, improving the quality of life for all residents.”

The grants to Flint were announced today at the Haskell Community Center by Harvey Hollins, director of the state’s Office of Urban Initiatives and Wayne Workman, the state’s deputy treasurer. They were joined by Dan Wyant, director of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Flint Emergency Manager Jerry Ambrose, Mayor Dayne Walling, state Senate Minority Leader Jim Ananich, state Reps. Sheldon Neeley and Phil Phelps.

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The city also was awarded \$1.1 million to shut down its current Water Pollution Control Facility incinerator and replace it with new facilities which will allow for the disposal of waste in landfills. The existing facilities are not up to federal Environmental Protection Agency standards.

Municipalities are eligible for the grants if they are experiencing one or more conditions indicative of “probable financial stress,” as defined by Public Act 436 of 2012, the Local Financial Stability and Choice Act.

Under the grant program, funding may be used to pay for specific projects, services, or strategies that move a city, village, or township toward financial stability. There was \$8 million appropriated for the program with a \$2 million cap, per local unit.

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From: John Austin <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2015 11:57 AM
To: John Austin
Subject: Michigan Water Failures Threaten Blue Economy

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Dear Friends,

We have all been working together to appreciate and grow our Michigan Blue Economy. Michigan can realize new economic opportunities as the "smart water" business innovators; a global water education and research powerhouse; and leverage our abundant and beautiful waters to make Michigan the most attractive place to live, work and play. As we saw in the michiganblueeconomy.org report, 1 in 5 Michigan jobs are already tied to water.

And water is essential to life. Bad water can literally kill you. And Michigan is blessed with lots of clean water.

That is why I share with you how important it is to confront our water challenges. All the work we have been doing to grow our Blue Economy is at risk in recent water failures dominating the news, which must be made right.

The Flint water crisis underscores the urgency to attend to our aging water infrastructure. Another threat to Pure Michigan and our natural



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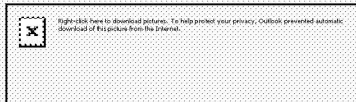
Here is a recent editorial I published in the Detroit Free Press urging us to action to protect our special Blue Economy, and invest to rebuild our communities, and keep our people safe and healthy.

<http://www.freep.com/story/opinion/contributors/2015/10/15/michigans-mounting-water-failures/73830438/>

Please share with your own social media networks, and send a message to miblueeconomy@gmail.com about the importance of protecting our water, and rebuilding our water infrastructure.

For more about the Blue Economy go to www.MIEconomicCenter.org or [Michigan Economic Center](#) and [GVSU Annis Water Resources Institute on Facebook](#).

Thank you,



John Austin

Director, Michigan Economic Center

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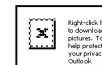
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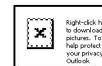
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Last interview: 5/28/15 at Mackinac (with Bankole who now left the Chronicle)

Market: Southeast Michigan- online at michiganchronicle.com

Contact: Hiram cell: [REDACTED]; Office: 313-963-5522

Subject: RDS/JW/DMurray- PRINT interview with Crain's Detroit Business' editorial and reporting teams

Location: 1155 Gratiot Ave, Detroit

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Reporters participating:

Mary Kramer- publisher
Jennette Smith- editor
Michael Lee- new managing editor
Sherri Welch- senior reporter
Lindsay VanHulle – Lansing correspondent

Article from Sept on staff changes/promotions at Crain's:

<http://www.crainsdetroit.com/article/20150911/NEWS/150919950/crains-hires-newsroom-staff-promotes-jennette-smith-to-editor>

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Focus: Hope idles workforce training after state grants lapse-

<http://www.crainsdetroit.com/article/20151011/NEWS/310119979/focus-hope-idles-workforce-training-after-state-grants-lapse>

DTE, Consumers Energy want to shut off Michigan's renewable energy mandates-

<http://www.crainsdetroit.com/article/20151011/NEWS/310119977/dte-consumers-energy-want-to-shut-off-michigans-renewable-energy>

PSC: Energy efficiency programs should save Michigan customers \$4.2 billion-

<http://www.crainsdetroit.com/article/20151002/BLOG020/151009958/psc-energy-efficiency-programs-should-save-michigan-customers-4-2>

Young Detroiters to experiment with entrepreneurship during Startup Weekend-

<http://www.crainsdetroit.com/article/20151016/NEWS/151019914/young-detroiters-to-experiment-with-entrepreneurship-during-startup>

Last interview: 8/24/15 with Lindsay VanHulle from China

Market: Southeast Michigan- online at crainsdetroit.com

Contact: Michael cell: [REDACTED]; Jennette cell: [REDACTED]

Security POC: Barbara Cooney- [REDACTED]

Subject: RDS/JW/SW- PRINT interview with Detroit News' reporting and editorial teams
Location: 160 W. Fort St. Detroit, MI 48226 - 3rd Floor

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Reporters participating (Subject to change):

Ingrid Jacques
Kaitlyn Buss
John Wolman
Chad Livengood
Richard Burr
Shawn Lewis

NOTE: Nolan is in Paris with his granddaughter

Recent articles:

State's \$6M aid for Flint water switch signed into law:

<http://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/politics/2015/10/15/flint-get-aid-switch-drinking-water/73986956/>

Snyder: Road fund talks hit dead end: <http://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/politics/2015/10/13/michigan-roads/73870236/>

Gov. Snyder on the big game: 'Go Blue!': <http://www.detroitnews.com/story/sports/2015/10/12/gov-snyder-big-game-go-blue/73843434/>

Snyder signs law to let drivers show insurance on phone:

<http://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/politics/2015/10/08/snyder-signs-law-let-drivers-show-insurance-phone/73570554/>

Last interview: 9/16/15 with Daniel Howes from Japan

Market: Southeast Michigan / online – www.detroitnews.com

Contact: Ingrid cell: [REDACTED]; Ingrid desk: 313-223-4610

Subject: RDS/JW/SW- PRINT interview with Detroit Free Press' reporting and editorial teams
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Brian Dickerson
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Jewel Gopwani
Ann Zaniwski
Lori Higgins
Paul Egan or Kathy Gray
Rochelle Riley
Tom Walsh

Recent articles:

Rochelle Riley: State must stop robbing Detroit schools: <http://www.freep.com/story/news/columnists/rochelle-riley/2015/10/10/state-must-stop-robbing-schools-michigan-funding-education-detroit/73223738/>

State funding for Flint water is just a down payment: <http://www.freep.com/story/news/columnists/rochelle-riley/2015/10/16/state-funding-flint-water-down-payment/73977446/>

Senate approves, Snyder signs cash for Flint water fix:

<http://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/2015/10/15/senate-gives-quick-unanimous-approval-flint-water-fix/73979168/>

Road deal: There may still be hope: <http://www.freep.com/story/news/politics/2015/10/14/road-funding-talks-enter-cooling-off-phase/73935602/>

State jobless rate below national average:

<http://www.freep.com/story/money/business/michigan/2015/10/14/michigan-unemployment-falls-below-national-average/73933978/>

Last interview: 9/16/15 w/ Matt Dolan re: Japan/Germany

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Subject: As Discussed

As discussed, I will be interviewed on WKAR this morning at 9. The topic of course is DPS and I was told to expect some questions regarding the Flint water issue.

Darnell

Sent from my iPhone

From: Walsh, John (GOV)
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2015 1:58 PM
To: Murray, David (GOV)
Cc: Brownfield, Michael (GOV); Allard, Claire (GOV)
Subject: Flint Water

Dave, if you need anything as you plan next Tuesday's announcement in Flint, please contact Mike Brownfield. In addition, please note that Claire Allard is quite familiar with the distressed city grants.

Thank you.

From: Walsh, John (GOV)
Sent: Saturday, January 31, 2015 8:54 PM
To: Allard, Claire (GOV)
Cc: Brownfield, Michael (GOV); Hall, Jean (GOV)
Subject: Re: Flint FDCVT Project Summaries

Thanks, that was all we were waiting for.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 30, 2015, at 4:53 PM, Allard, Claire (GOV) <allardc1@michigan.gov> wrote:

Fyi below. Not sure if you were on the below mentioned call so I just thought I would shoot this to you. Dennis dropped by my office and told me we are good to go on the FDCVT grant announcements. I let my contact at Treasury know.

From: Stanton, Terry A. (Treasury)
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2015 4:19 PM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Allard, Claire (GOV); Wurfel, Sara (GOV); Murray, David (GOV)
Cc: Posthumus, Dick (GOV); Wurfel, Brad (DEQ); Hollins, Harvey (GOV)
Subject: Flint FDCVT Project Summaries
Importance: High

All...see below. As noted on the 1:30 conf call, both are "related" to water.

Flint Incinerator

The grant project entails shutting down the current Water Pollution Control Facility Incinerator (due to the incinerator not being up to new EPA standards). In order to meet EPA standards, it would cost roughly \$8.8M in upgrades to the current incinerator. The grant funding will allow them to replace the functions of the old incinerator by constructing new facilities which will allow for the disposal of waste to landfills.

Budget Breakdown

Construction Contractor	\$1,050,000
Project Management	<u>\$50,000</u>
Total	\$1,100,000

Flint Leak Detection

The grant project will allow the city to hire a contractor to perform a leak detection survey of the city water lines. The city will receive a map of leak locations and an assessment of leak severity. This data will allow the city to prioritize leak repair. The project also covers the expense of conducting a water

pipe line wall thickness condition assessment on a portion of the city's pipes. The assessment will guide the city's water main replacement program.

Budget Breakdown

Project Planning	\$90,000
Mobilization of Crew to Site	\$27,000
Leak Detection < 16" diameter	\$378,000
Leak Detection 16" diameter or >	\$270,000
Pipe Condition Assessments	<u>\$135,000</u>
Total	\$900,000

From: Walsh, John (GOV)
Sent: Friday, November 20, 2015 2:30 PM
To: Murray, David (GOV)
Subject: Re: Information about Flint blood lead level testing results release
Attachments: image001.jpg

Thanks for the update.

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Walsh, John (GOV)
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2015 8:29 AM
To: Murray, David (GOV)
Subject: Re: Information about Flint blood lead level testing results release

Ok. thanks.

Sent from my iPad

On Nov 20, 2015, at 2:30 PM, Murray, David (GOV) <MurrayD1@michigan.gov> wrote:

Hi John,

Governor wants to hold off on this release until next week.

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From: Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ)
Sent: Thursday, December 31, 2015 3:21 PM
To: Walsh, John (GOV); Ayers, Angela (GOV); Hall, Jean (GOV)
Cc: Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ)
Subject: RE: JW/AAyers/Director Wyant RE: Water Strategy

Hi Jean,

This is odd, but for some reason the January 7, 9:00 meeting with John Walsh and Angela Ayers says the location is City of Flint on my end. Maybe it doesn't show that on your end of the calendar? Since Dan has left, do you want to have this meeting with Keith? I don't have full access to Keith's calendar yet but I can check to see if this will work for him.

Please advise. Thanks. Happy New Year.

Mary Beth

Mary Beth Thelen
Executive Management Assistant to the Director
Department of Environmental Quality
Constitution Hall, 6th Floor South


Thelenm2@michigan.gov

-----Original Appointment-----

From: Walsh, John (GOV)
Sent: Monday, December 14, 2015 11:10 AM
To: Walsh, John (GOV); Wyant, Dan (DEQ); Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ); Ayers, Angela (GOV); Hall, Jean (GOV)
Subject: JW/AAyers/Director Wyant RE: Water Strategy
When: Thursday, January 07, 2016 9:00 AM-9:45 AM Customized Time Zone.
Where: City of Flint - 1101 S. Saginaw Street, Flint 48502 - City Administrator's Office

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From: Biehl, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Monday, January 04, 2016 1:08 PM
To: Walsh, John (GOV)
Subject: DEQ director messaging

Hi John- Dave asked me to send you the internal email and statement we issued last week. This makes our messaging on Dan's departure clear.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Laura

Email:
Team,

As you are aware, we have been working closely with the independent task force that has been reviewing state, local and federal actions regarding the serious health issues related to water in Flint.

Although the task force's final report is not yet complete, members have made the Governor aware of some interim findings, and there are interim steps the Governor has decided to take immediately in order to restore trust in how we in state government keep residents safe and informed.

As part of this process, Dan Wyant, director of the Department of Environmental Quality, has offered his resignation, and Governor has reluctantly decided to accept it. There are likely to be other personnel changes in MDEQ as well.

I want to thank Dan for his service. He has been the DEQ director since the start of the administration, and previously headed the Agriculture Department under both Gov. Engler and Gov. Granholm. He is passionate about public service and protecting our state's environment.

The situation in Flint is serious and challenging. We will continue to work closely with the task force and city leaders as we move forward, committed to protecting the health of people living in Flint and around our state.

Sincerely,

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Press release:

Gov. Rick Snyder takes action on initial findings from Flint Water Task Force
Changes to take place at DEQ, meeting planned with Mayor Karen Weaver

In response to initial findings from the Flint Water Task Force, Gov. Rick Snyder today issued the following statement:

"When I became aware that the city of Flint's water showed elevated lead levels and that the state's handling of the situation was being questioned, I requested funding to switch the source back to the Great Lakes Water Authority and appointed an independent task force to identify possible missteps and areas for improvement.

"The task force has done an exceptional job, reviewing stacks of documents and interviewing scores of Flint, Genesee County, state and federal officials. Although the task force's final report is not yet completed, members have made me aware of some interim findings and corrective steps that I have decided to take immediately in order to restore trust in how the state keeps its citizens safe and informed.

"We'll continue to work with the community members to make sure we hear and respond to their concerns.

"In addition, MDEQ Director Dan Wyant has offered his resignation, and I've determined that it's appropriate to accept it. I'm also making other personnel changes at MDEQ to address problems cited by the task force.

"But changes in leadership and staff are not enough. I understand there can be disagreements within the scientific community. That is why I have directed both the departments of Environmental Quality and Health and Human Services to invite every external scientist who has worked on this issue to be our partners in helping us improve Flint water. Let's share research on water and blood lead level testing so we can arrive at accurate and mutually supported conclusions. Together, we should work to affirm that we're using the very best testing protocols to ensure Flint residents have safe drinking water and that we're taking steps to protect their health over the short and long term.

"I want the Flint community to know how very sorry I am that this has happened. And I want all Michigan citizens to know that we will learn from this experience, because Flint is not the only city that has an aging infrastructure.

"I know many Flint citizens are angry and want more than an apology. That's why I'm taking the actions today to ensure a culture of openness and trust. We've already allocated \$10 million to test the water, distribute water filters, and help in other ways. Last week, I called Flint Mayor Karen Weaver, and we're going to meet soon to discuss other ways the state can offer assistance.

"These are only initial steps - we fully expect to take more actions following the recommendations of our task force. When it comes to matters of health and quality of life, we're committed to doing everything we can to protect the well-being of our citizens."

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Best,

Laura Biehl
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BiehlL@Michigan.gov

From: Kennedy, Jordan (GOV)
Sent: Monday, September 28, 2015 8:48 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: flint water

Hey Laura, I did have a great weekend, hope you did as well!

I am actually on the road today for work and won't be in the office until early afternoon. If you don't need these ASAP I can work to get them to you as soon as I return to the office.

Thanks,
Jordan

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 28, 2015, at 8:43 AM, Stoken, Laura (GOV) <LStoken1@michigan.gov> wrote:

Good morning dear,

Hope you had a great weekend!!

Do you have flint water talking points by any chance?

Thanks,

Laura Stoken
Manager, Constituent Relations
Executive Office of the Governor, Rick Snyder


From: Byrd, John (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2015 10:31 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint Water

..but no water flow? ...oops, workflow? ;)

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2015 10:30 AM
To: Weir, Elizabeth (GOV) <WeirE@michigan.gov>; Robinson, Judy (GOV) <RobinsonJ31@michigan.gov>; Kica, Beata (GOV) <KicaB@michigan.gov>; Byrd, John (GOV) <byrdj1@michigan.gov>; Kras, Jason (GOV) <krasj@michigan.gov>
Subject: Flint Water

There is also a category for Flint water

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2015 10:23 AM
To: Weir, Elizabeth (GOV) <WeirE@michigan.gov>; Robinson, Judy (GOV) <RobinsonJ31@michigan.gov>; Kica, Beata (GOV) <KicaB@michigan.gov>; Byrd, John (GOV) <byrdj1@michigan.gov>; Kras, Jason (GOV) <krasj@michigan.gov>
Subject: Syrian Refugee

A category and workflow response has been created in CRM

Laura Stoken
Manager, Constituent Relations
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From: Tommasulo, Karen (DEQ)
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2015 3:44 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV); Wurfel, Brad (DEQ)
Cc: Murray, David (GOV)
Subject: RE: FLINT WATER : New form letter- proposed below

Looks good to me. Thanks!

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2015 2:56 PM
To: Wurfel, Brad (DEQ); Tommasulo, Karen (DEQ)
Cc: Murray, David (GOV)
Subject: FLINT WATER : New form letter- proposed below

Hey There,

Would you please review the below "form letter" to be blasted out to constituents writing the Governor regarding Flint Water.

Thanks,

Laura Stoken
Manager, Constituent Relations
Executive Office of the Governor, Rick Snyder
517.335.7858

Thank you for your recent correspondence sent to Governor Rick Snyder regarding the water in Flint. As a member of Governor Snyder's staff, I am responding on his behalf.

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State leaders have been working closely with state and federal lawmakers to tap resources at all levels of government to address concerns.

This action plan offers concrete steps we will take in a local, state and federal partnership to ensure all Flint residents have safe water to drink. The DEQ will work closely with the city to gather further data to ensure the water that leaves Flint's system as well as the water that arrives in Flint homes is safe to drink.

Thank you, again, for taking the time to share your concerns with our office. Should you have any further comments, questions or concerns regarding this or any other state-related matter, I've included my contact information below.

Sincerely,

Laura Stoken
Manager, Constituent Relations
Executive Office of the Governor, Rick Snyder
517.335.7858

From: Byrd, John (GOV)
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2015 4:31 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Flint water response

Good afternoon:

How about this:

Dear Name Here:

Thank you for your email regarding the issue with Flint's drinking water supply. The Governor has asked me to respond on his behalf. He believes it is important to listen to our constituents and I appreciate the time you took to comment.

The Governor announced a 10 point action plan created with state, federal and city leaders to address concerns about Flint's drinking water. To find out more, please use the following link to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for Flint's Drinking Water Action Plan:

http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,4561,7-135-3313_3675_73946---,00.html

Again, thank you for contacting our office. Please let me know if I can be of assistance in any State of Michigan related issue.

Sincerely,

John D. Byrd II
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STAY CONNECTED:



From: Wurfel, Sara (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 10:51 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: FW: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Water filters available for MDHHS clients, all Flint residents beginning Tuesday

Importance: High

From: Michigan Department of Health and Human Services [<mailto:MDHHS@govsubscriptions.michigan.gov>]
Sent: Monday, October 05, 2015 4:09 PM
To: Lasher, GERALYN (DHHS) <lasherg@michigan.gov>
Subject: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Water filters available for MDHHS clients, all Flint residents beginning Tuesday



Press Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: October 5, 2015

CONTACT: Jennifer Eisner, (517) 241-2112

Water filters available for MDHHS clients, all Flint residents beginning Tuesday

LANSING, Mich. – Free water filters will be available to current Michigan Department of Health and Human Services clients and Flint residents at four locations beginning Tuesday, October 6, at 9 a.m. through a partnership between the MDHHS and the Genesee County Community Action Resource Department. Free National Sanitation Foundation certified water filters are being provided to Flint residents as part of the administration's comprehensive approach to addressing water concerns in the area.

Current MDHHS clients are encouraged to visit either the 125 E. Union St. or 4809 Clio Road MDHHS office location to obtain a free, certified home water filter. Residents who are not currently enrolled in MDHHS assistance programs should visit the Genesee County Community Action Resource Department offices located at 2727 Lippincott and 601 North Saginaw in Flint. Staff will be onsite at all four locations from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, to distribute filters and

assist residents who have questions about proper installation.

“Ensuring that families in the Flint area have access to resources that will help reduce the potential for lead exposure is our top priority,” said Nick Lyon, director of the MDHHS. “I want to thank our partners who have mobilized to make water filters available – a point that highlights the importance of continued collaboration at the local, state and federal level as we move forward.”

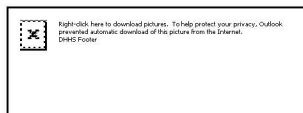
MDHHS clients in the city of Flint who are active Family Independence Program (FIP), Food Assistance Program (FAP), Child Development and Care (CDC), State Disability Assistance (SDA), or Social Security Insurance (SSI) recipients should bring valid identification and a copy of their water bill to their local MDHHS office to receive their filter free of charge. Flint residents who are not active MDHHS clients should bring identification and their water bill to the GCCARD location.

Although blood lead levels throughout the city of Flint have remained steady, last week, MDHHS data was found to be consistent with a recent Hurley Children’s Hospital study indicating increased blood lead levels in children residing in two Flint ZIP codes after a 2014 change in water source. While lead paint remains the number one cause of lead poisoning in Michigan, the recent data prompted MDHHS to take action to reduce potential lead exposures through water sources.

MDHHS is urging parents in Flint and throughout the state to do their part in preventing elevated blood lead levels in children. For more information about steps you can take now, visit www.michigan.gov/lead, or contact your local health department. For updates on Flint water and available resources, visit www.michigan.gov/flintwater.

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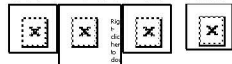
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Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 10:58 AM
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Subject: RE: FLINT WATER : New form letter- approved

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Please visit Michigan.gov/Flintwater for additional resources.

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From: Laura Stoken <stokenl@michigan.gov>
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To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Executive Office of the Governor

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Can not deliver the message you sent. Will not retry.

Sender: <stokenl@michigan.gov>

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[REDACTED]

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To: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, October 6, 2015 12:27 PM
Subject: Executive Office of the Governor

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517.335.7858 (o)

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, October 07, 2015 5:18 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Laura,

Unsafe water is being given to an entire city, which is known to be high in toxins that have proven to have devastating effects on children's development, and there is a way to just plain fix it (switching back to the Detroit water supply). This comes directly from the decisions made by the emergency manager appointed by the governor and sanctioned by the state. The fact that the governor's response is to test more and give out filters rather than fix the problem, because of financial reasons, is absolutely unacceptable and speaks volumes on the governor's concerns for our citizens of Flint. As it is, I am not at all confident that any testing done by the state will be completely independent and unbiased. This is not an acceptable plan! Please consider the damage that has been, and continues to be done to the people of your state, on a daily basis.

[REDACTED]

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From: "Laura Stoken" <stokenl@michigan.gov>
Date: Tue, Oct 6, 2015 at 1:23 PM
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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2015 1:22 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

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Bye

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To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Ms. Stoken

Thank you for your detailed reply. These are all positive steps, but not the type of bold leadership I was hoping for when I wrote my email. I will wait to see the video of the governor's statement today with hopes that he will let us all know the "buck stops here" and that he will personally see the problem gets fixed. It would not be wrong for him to put the routine work of the government in Lt. Governor Calley's hands and spend an entire week of his time shepherding the process of fixing the problem. It is certainly worthy of his personal attention as much as a trade mission to China would be.

[REDACTED]

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From: Biehl, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2015 10:09 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV); Murray, David (GOV); Wurfel, Sara (GOV)
Cc: Kennedy, Jordan (GOV); Agen, Jarrod (GOV); Heaton, Anna (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint Water- talking Points
Attachments: 151008 Flint water release_FINAL.docx

Here's the press release that will be issued after the press conference ends.

This should cover what you need.

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2015 10:08 AM
To: Murray, David (GOV) <MurrayD1@michigan.gov>; Wurfel, Sara (GOV) <Wurfels@michigan.gov>
Cc: Kennedy, Jordan (GOV) <KennedyJ4@michigan.gov>; Agen, Jarrod (GOV) <AgenJ@michigan.gov>; Biehl, Laura (GOV) <BiehlL@michigan.gov>; Heaton, Anna (GOV) <HeatonA@michigan.gov>
Subject: Flint Water- talking Points
Importance: High

Hi Team,

Given the announcement this morning, please provide as soon as possible talking points for this new process.

The live stream is cutting in and out so we are unable to watch/write what is happening.

Thank you,

Laura Stoken
Manager, Constituent Relations
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Thursday, Oct. 8, 2015

Gov. Rick Snyder: Move back to Detroit water provides best protection for public health in Flint

State, city, Mott Foundation, join to fund switch until KWA is ready

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"It's heartening to know so many people are working at so many levels to bring safe, clean water back to Flint," Mott Foundation President Ridgway White said. "We believe this transitional solution is the right and necessary thing to do, and we're glad we could help the state and the city make it happen."

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"Reconnecting to Detroit is the fastest way to deliver clean, safe water to Flint and stabilize the infrastructure system," Flint Mayor Dayne Walling said. "I appreciate the state, the Mott Foundation, Detroit, and the county's participation in a solution for Flint's water problems. The health and safety of Flint's families, children and seniors is my top priority, and reconnecting to Detroit is a major step that the city could not take alone given budget constraints."

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Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2015 10:55 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: RE: FLINT WATER : New form letter- questions

Thanks for looping me in.

Mary Beth

Mary Beth Thelen
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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2015 10:51 AM
To: Wurfel, Sara (GOV); Murray, David (GOV); Tommasulo, Karen (DEQ); Wurfel, Brad (DEQ)
Cc: Kennedy, Jordan (GOV); Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ)
Subject: FLINT WATER : New form letter- questions

Hi Team,

Please see below the proposed Flint Water form letter....

For our knowledge/ not the letter:

If someone can give me information on the initial switch that would be helpful- when, why.

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Let me know if we are good to go on the letter.

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Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2015 6:15 PM
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Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

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("Mastery of language affords remarkable power.")

– Frantz Fanon

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2015 7:30 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Ms. Stoken

I was very pleased today to hear the governor step up and take major steps to solve the Flint water problem. Please pass along my compliments for a job well done.

[REDACTED]

On Thu, Oct 8, 2015 at 7:19 AM, [REDACTED] wrote:
Ms. Stoken

Thank you for your detailed reply. These are all positive steps, but not the type of bold leadership I was hoping for when I wrote my email. I will wait to see the video of the governor's statement today with hopes that he will let us all know the "buck stops here" and that he will personally see the problem gets fixed. It would not be wrong for him to put the routine work of the government in Lt. Governor Calley's hands and spend an entire week of his time shepherding the process of fixing the problem. It is certainly worthy of his personal attention as much as a trade mission to China would be.

[REDACTED]

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Sent from my iPad

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Hi Laura,

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Dave

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To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: RE: FLINT WATER : New form letter- questions

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Please share your final with me in case we need to use portions of the response for other responses we may be sending out.

Thanks!

Mary Beth

Mary Beth Thelen
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Subject: Mail could not be delivered
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Subject: FW: Updated MDHHS Talking Points
Attachments: Flint Water Talking Points 100715.docx

Here's some talking points from yesterday. It includes info on how, where and when to get filters. It also gives a little bit of info on the school testing results.

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Sent: Wednesday, October 07, 2015 4:57 PM
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Subject: Updated MDHHS Talking Points

Attached talking points updated to include info re: extended hours for water filter distribution, school testing results, NSF filter certification.

Thank you,

Jennifer (Smith) Eisner
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Blood Lead Levels in Flint Talking Points

October 7, 2015

Water Filters

- Our first action item is to work closely with our public and private partners to provide water filters to Flint residents and MDHHS clients.
- To meet this priority, the governor identified one million dollars in state funding to purchase water filters for Flint residents.
- The Brita SAFF-100 filters being distributed by the department and GCCARD do meet the NSF/ANSI 53 standards for drinking water treatment units.
- The Brita faucet filtration system we are distributing are National Sanitation Foundation certified to reduce lead in drinking water.
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- Our Chief Medical Executive has been in communication with the lead investigator at Hurley Children's Hospital, and we continue to work with Hurley, the city of Flint, local and state leaders to verify and analyze data trends.
- Zip code-level data does show that there has been an increase in elevated childhood blood lead levels in specific communities.
 - This does not conclusively mean that the water source change is the sole cause of the increase, but data does show an association.
 - There is an increased proportion of children with elevated Blood Levels (ELBs) in several zip codes, particularly 03 and 04. These appear to have increased over the last 1.5 years.
 - Lead exposure can occur from a number of different sources (such as paint, gasoline, solder, and consumer products) and through different pathways (such as air, food, water, dust, and soil).
 - Although there are several exposure sources, lead-based paint is still the most widespread and dangerous high-dose source of lead exposure for young children in the US and Michigan.
- We reviewed MDHHS statewide data using the same methodology used by Hurley, looking at our numbers by zip code and age ranges, and filtering out non-Flint children.
- Routine surveillance of blood lead levels does not analyze data down to the zip code level. Detailed analysis like this occurs when there is reason to focus in on precise locations or populations.

- MDHHS is working closely with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Hurley Children's Hospital, the Genesee County Health Department, and community organizations to initiate further action steps.
- We understand that cost may be a barrier to following the recommendations for drinking water, which is why NSF certified filters are being distributed to residents on the Flint water system free of charge.
- MDHHS is recommending that residents follow the Public Health Advisory issued by the Genesee County Health Department, as well as take further steps to reduce exposures to all forms of lead in and around their homes.

MDHHS Stats and Facts

- 'High Risk' Zip codes (48503 and 48504)
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- Other Zip codes in Flint
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Reducing and Removing Lead Exposure

- In housing built before 1978, it can be assumed that the paint has lead unless tests show otherwise.
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 - Windowsills and wells can contain high levels of leaded dust. They should be kept clean. If feasible, windows should be shut to prevent abrasion of painted surfaces or opened from the top sash.
- Take off shoes when entering the house to prevent bringing lead-contaminated soil in from outside.
- Prevent children from playing in bare soil; if possible, provide them with sandboxes. Plant grass on areas of bare soil or cover the soil with grass seed, mulch, or wood chips, if possible.
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- Avoid using makeup, containers, cookware, or tableware to store or cook foods or liquids that are not shown to be lead free.
- Remove recalled toys and toy jewelry immediately from children.
- Use only cold water from the tap for drinking, cooking, and making baby formula. Hot water is more likely to contain higher levels of lead. Most of the lead in household water usually comes from the plumbing in your house, not from the local water supply.
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WIC Children

- There are 855 infants participating in WIC in Flint.
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- In homes with infants on WIC, if the household has documentation from an official source of unsanitary water supply issues, that family may be eligible to receive ready-to-feed formula. Families should contact WIC to see if they are eligible.
- Each household would have to be looked at on an individual basis.
- WIC cannot cover bottled water.

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Cc: Detroit Free Press
Subject: Re: Executive Office of Governor Rick Snyder

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Dear Laura,

I have read the stories about the children who will be permanently effected by drinking lead in the water, in Flint. I hope that the state sets aside a legacy fund to help those children through their learning disabilities. They already have a hard life, now the decision to go the "cheap" route has caused even a greater expense to the people of Flint and Michigan. These children should not be forgotten. Their medical and special education bills should be paid by the State of Michigan.

Thank you,
[REDACTED]

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Thank you for your recent correspondence sent to Governor Rick Snyder regarding energy preferences. As a member of Governor Snyder's staff, I am responding on his behalf.

We appreciate your thoughts on this topic and will take these into consideration as we continue to review the recently introduced energy legislation. The Snyder administration believes that when making decisions about Michigan's energy future, we must consider affordability, reliability, and protection of the environment, all building on a foundation of adaptability. .

You may also want to contact your state legislators with your thoughts on energy. Please know that should any legislation make it to his desk he will keep your comments close at hand.

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Sincerely,

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Manager, Constituent Relations

Executive Office of the Governor, Rick Snyder

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My other thought is to set up at a School or two that is affected. Not only can we help the kids, we can distribute to the public at large from a public source.

In all cases, we have test data, from numerous Labs , Private and Public from around the Country, and WORLD, and welcome the Health Department's involvement and have "on the spot testing kits" for arsenic and lead.

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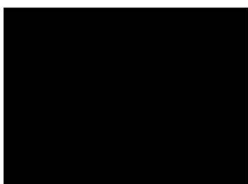
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**MERLIN ECO SOLUTIONS
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OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS – 7-2-14**

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE USING YOUR PURIFIER

Congratulations! You have purchased the very best personal water purifier available. For maximum efficiency it must be maintained properly. Follow the short list of instructions to ensure proper functioning.

Installation and Usage:

1. Select your power source. Connect with the supplied electrical cords.
 - a. Merlin Eco Solutions Solar Panels designed especially for your device.
 - b. A 12-volt battery
 - c. AC / DC convertor plugged into standard line voltage
2. Polarity **MUST** be respected, so use only the electrical connectors supplied to avoid damage to your purifier.
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9. When running, it is recommended that the purifier be placed vertically, to let all air within the system be expelled with the outflow. This can be done either by being hung flat on a wall from the holes in the top of the back-board, or sitting on a relatively flat surface when kept in the collapsed triangle shape. There are three screws that can be removed to “open” or unfold the unit to allow it to be laid flat.
10. When not in use for any extended period of time, drain the water from the system of all water. Unscrew both filter housings, and drain. Turn the pump on and run the pump dry for one minute, and turn the unit upside down and then drain all remaining water from the hoses and UV tube. Let the filters completely air dry before reinstalling and assembling. Never let any water freeze in the unit, period.
11. Included with your unit is a slip on cover for the ceramic filter housing. Use whenever this unit is near or in direct sunlight as algae will have the opportunity to grow in the clear housing if not used.

CLEANING THE FILTERS:

1. The Doulton ceramic filter is a relatively soft, washable material, unlike most “throw-away” filters that are used on other devices. When the water out-flow rate decreases, it is likely that one or both of the filters are clogged

or dirty. To clean the ceramic filter, unscrew the clear housing and remove the filter. **DO NOT DROP THIS FILTER** as it could break or shatter. Gently scrub the filter with a soft brush or cloth, or simply rinse it by hand. **DO NOT SCRUB HARD** – some of the filter material will be scrubbed away if cleaning is done aggressively.

2. There are two soft rubber gaskets on the ceramic filter, one at each end. These gaskets are **ESSENTIAL!** If not present and sealed, the water going through the purifier will **NOT** be filtered! This drastically increases the chances of contaminated water being delivered! Take off the filter and look for these removable gaskets. When replacing the filter, it is advised to keep the rubber gaskets from the filter being discarded for use in the event one gets lost or damaged.

3. On the bottom of the filter housing panel there is a “half circle” cut out of the backer board. This is a filter gauge. If the ceramic filter fits snugly or loosely into this half circle, it is time to replace the filter. At this point the filter is worn out and becomes too thin and is now unfit for use.

4. The sediment filter housing on the intake hose unscrews and the stainless steel screen can be gently brushed or rubbed clean cleaned in water and returned to the housing and screw the cap back on.

FINALLY – A WORD OF CAUTION. BECAUSE THERE ARE SO MANY UNKNOWN CONTAMINANTS IN OUR WATER TODAY, ESPECIALLY CHEMICAL CONTAMINANTS, WE CANNOT GUARANTEE THAT THIS DEVICE WILL ELIMINATE ALL POTENTIAL HEALTH HAZARDS. WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND EACH WATER SOURCE BE TESTED BY A CERTIFIED LOCAL TESTING AGENCY AFTER RUNNING THE WATER THROUGH THE PURIFIER. IF FOR ANY REASON THE PURIFIED WATER DOES NOT TEST AS “POTABLE” SIMPLY RETURN THE PURIFIER. ALONG WITH THE ORIGINAL RECEIPT AND A COPY OF THE FAILED WATER TEST WITHIN ONE YEAR FROM DATE OF PURCHASE, AND YOUR PURCHASE PRICE WILL BE REFUNDED. SHIPPING IS NOT COVERED BY THIS MONEY-BACK GUARANTEE.



Letter of Recommendation

“ My name is Dr. Eric L. Weiss, and it is my pleasure to introduce the portable Merlin water purifier to you. By way of background, I trained in medicine at the University of California, San Francisco, Emergency Medicine at the University of California, Los Angeles, before joining the faculty in Emergency Medicine at Stanford University. I have since then gone on to start my own private practice in the town of Woodside, California. Two parts of my current medical practice are relevant to the subject of safe drinking water: I travel the world with Stanford University providing medical support to traveling alumni and often travel through areas where local medical care is very resource challenged, and I am also very involved with Emergency Preparedness working with my local community as well as local Fire Department.

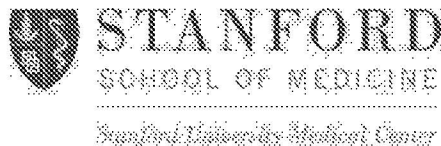
The Merlin water purifier has the potential to greatly impact both of these areas of my expertise. From a disaster preparedness perspective, having a durable, portable, affordable, solar powered source of clean drinking water in the case of a local or regional emergency is invaluable. Current options include local stockpiling (impractical), large water purification systems (expensive), or small mechanical or chemical systems (unable to meet need). Merlin has none of these limitations.

Additionally, universal access to clean water continues to be an enormous global challenge, one only getting worse with an increasing population, contributions by climate change, and worsening geopolitical conflict, often tied to concerns over protecting access to clean water. Creative applications of the Merlin portable water system could help in many currently hostile and or complex situations.

The science upon which the Merlin water purifier system is based is solid, and I have analyzed the purified water lab test results. The Merlin unit has transformed water from clearly unpleasant sources to clean, pleasant, and most importantly, safe, drinking water.

Truly a life saver.”

Eric L. Weiss, MD, DTM&H





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“My name is Dan Ghiorso, chief of the Woodside Fire Protection District. We have three fire stations, that protect about 16,000-25,000 people spread across two Towns and unincorporated county areas with about 32 square miles of responsibility. Our district is a mix of medium density homes (4-5/acre), low density homes (1-20 acres, many with equestrian facilities), and second growth redwood forest/wilderness.

We live in Earthquake country; the San Andreas Fault goes directly through the Fire District. Preparing for the “big one” is something we think about every day. In the event of a large earthquake, we expect the municipal water pipes to break, the roads to become impassable, and the power grid to fail. We had previously planned to purchase one \$40k water purification system for each of our three fire stations (\$120k), until we learned of this Merlin portable, solar powered water purification system. For us, the Merlin system makes a lot more sense: we save money and reduce risk.

In the event of “the big one”:

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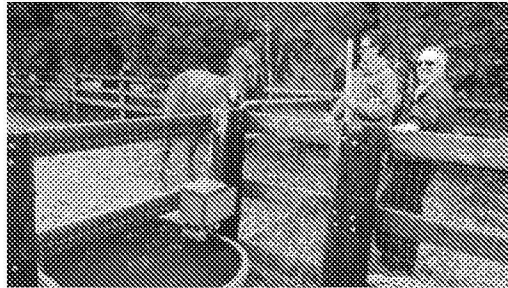
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put them in the neighborhoods with the CERPP leaders. That way, people can walk down the street and carry back the emergency drinking/cooking water they need until their utilities are restored.

Fresh water sources include: collected rain water, a swimming pool, a hot tub, a pond, a creek, or a small river. Merlin can also add additional filters for the chemicals found in farming communities, i.e. fertilizers and pesticides. The system cannot remove salt from Sea water, nor radioactive materials (like Fukushima).

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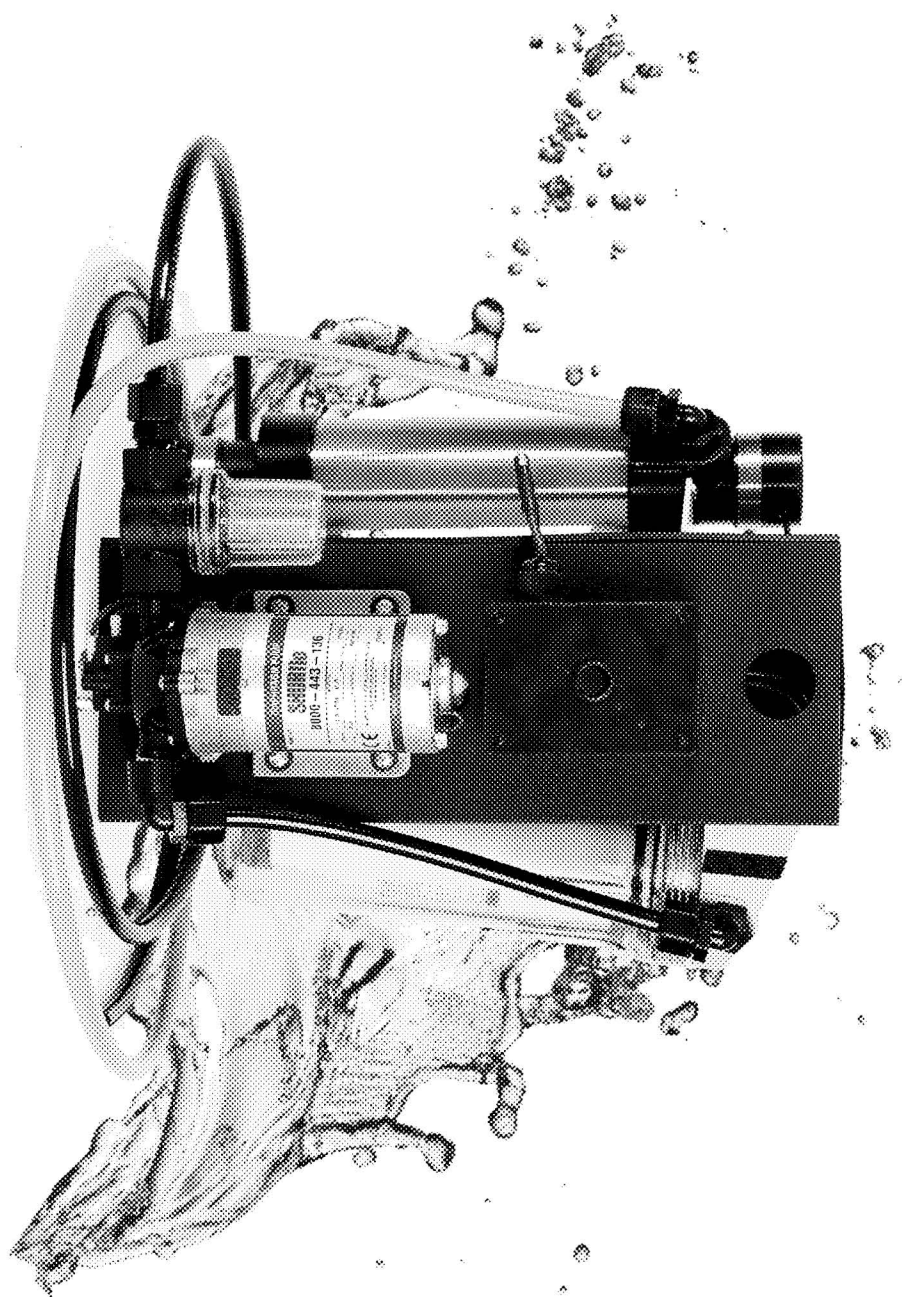


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[REDACTED] I am the chief of a Fire Department for 2 towns and
unincorporated county areas. You can call me at (650) 851-1594, or email me at
dghiorso@woodsidefire.org. John is more likely to give you a quicker response; I might be fire
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Dan Ghiorso, Fire Chief



**WOODSIDE FIRE
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Joe

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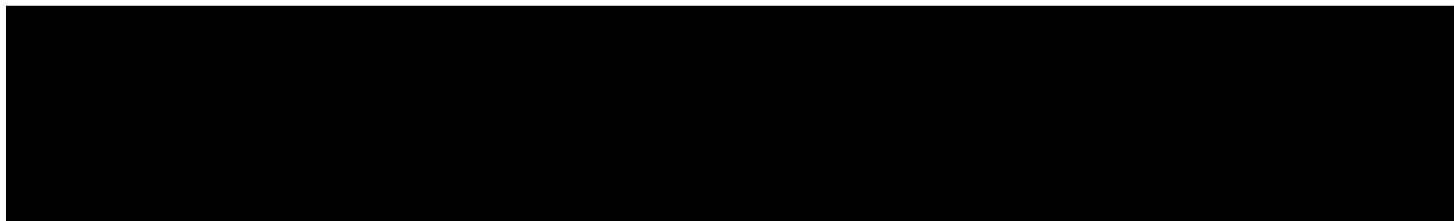
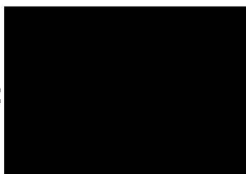
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housing connected to the outlet hose. A purple/blue light will be visible in the inspection holes in the black caps at the end of the housing. In broad daylight this may be difficult to see, so cup your hands over the tube ends and check to see the glowing light. This UV tube provides a purifying blast/ray of ultra-violet light that sterilizes all unwanted organisms, cysts, bacteria, and viruses as the water passes through before final delivery. If the purple/blue light is not visible, begin to replace the bulb by first disconnecting the power source to the water system, and then unscrewing the stainless steel band clamps around the black cover caps at each end and remove them. If a UV bulb plug appears loose push it back on and turn the power on to see if it lights up. **WARNING! NEVER LOOK INTO AN UNCOVERED UV BULB THAT IS TURNED ON. YOU WILL DAMAGE YOUR EYES AND SKIN.** If not slip the plugs off the bulb at each end remove the broken or burned out bulb out of the chamber. Insert the new UV bulb into the chamber without touching it (use a tissue or cloth to hold) and slide the electrical contacts at each end of the bulb back into the slots in each plug. Then replace the black cover caps and retighten the band clamps. Note: The UV bulb treats water for 9000 hours or 1 year of continual use. We recommend replacing the UV bulb after 9000 hours of usage or 2 years of intermittent usage regardless of it still lighting up. **IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ALLOW THE UV BULB TO WARM UP FOR ONE MINUTE OF RUNNING/PUMPING WATER BEFORE DRINKING OR USING ANY WATER FROM THE PURIFIER. THE BULB MUST WARM UP TO WORK PROPERLY.** In cold situations under 40 degrees Fahrenheit allow 2 minutes for warm up time.

9. When running, it is recommended that the purifier be placed vertically, to let all air within the system be expelled with the outflow. This can be done either by being hung flat on a wall from the holes in the top of the back-board, or sitting on a relatively flat surface when kept in the collapsed triangle shape. There are three screws that can be removed to “open” or unfold the unit to allow it to be laid flat.
10. When not in use for any extended period of time, drain the water from the system of all water. Unscrew both filter housings, and drain. Turn the pump on and run the pump dry for one minute, and turn the unit upside down and then drain all remaining water from the hoses and UV tube. Let the filters completely air dry before reinstalling and assembling. Never let any water freeze in the unit, period.
11. Included with your unit is a slip on cover for the ceramic filter housing. Use whenever this unit is near or in direct sunlight as algae will have the opportunity to grow in the clear housing if not used.

CLEANING THE FILTERS:

1. The Doulton ceramic filter is a relatively soft, washable material, unlike most “throw-away” filters that are used on other devices. When the water out-flow rate decreases, it is likely that one or both of the filters are clogged

or dirty. To clean the ceramic filter, unscrew the clear housing and remove the filter. DO NOT DROP THIS FILTER as it could break or shatter. Gently scrub the filter with a soft brush or cloth, or simply rinse it by hand. DO NOT SCRUB HARD – some of the filter material will be scrubbed away if cleaning is done aggressively.

2. There are two soft rubber gaskets on the ceramic filter, one at each end. These gaskets are ESSENTIAL! If not present and sealed, the water going through the purifier will NOT be filtered! This drastically increases the chances of contaminated water being delivered! Take off the filter and look for these removable gaskets. When replacing the filter, it is advised to keep the rubber gaskets from the filter being discarded for use in the event one gets lost or damaged.

3. On the bottom of the filter housing panel there is a “half circle” cut out of the backer board. This is a filter gauge. If the ceramic filter fits snugly or loosely into this half circle, it is time to replace the filter. At this point the filter is worn out and becomes too thin and is now unfit for use.

4. The sediment filter housing on the intake hose unscrews and the stainless steel screen can be gently brushed or rubbed clean, cleaned in water and returned to the housing and screw the cap back on.

FINALLY – A WORD OF CAUTION. BECAUSE THERE ARE SO MANY UNKNOWN CONTAMINANTS IN OUR WATER TODAY, ESPECIALLY CHEMICAL CONTAMINANTS, WE CANNOT GUARANTEE THAT THIS DEVICE WILL ELIMINATE ALL POTENTIAL HEALTH HAZARDS. WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND EACH WATER SOURCE BE TESTED BY A CERTIFIED LOCAL TESTING AGENCY AFTER RUNNING THE WATER THROUGH THE PURIFIER. IF FOR ANY REASON THE PURIFIED WATER DOES NOT TEST AS “POTABLE” SIMPLY RETURN THE PURIFIER. ALONG WITH THE ORIGINAL RECEIPT AND A COPY OF THE FAILED WATER TEST WITHIN ONE YEAR FROM DATE OF PURCHASE, AND YOUR PURCHASE PRICE WILL BE REFUNDED. SHIPPING IS NOT COVERED BY THIS MONEY-BACK GUARANTEE.



Letter of Recommendation

“ My name is Dr. Eric L. Weiss, and it is my pleasure to introduce the portable Merlin water purifier to you. By way of background, I trained in medicine at the University of California, San Francisco, Emergency Medicine at the University of California, Los Angeles, before joining the faculty in Emergency Medicine at Stanford University. I have since then gone on to start my own private practice in the town of Woodside, California. Two parts of my current medical practice are relevant to the subject of safe drinking water: I travel the world with Stanford University providing medical support to traveling alumni and often travel through areas where local medical care is very resource challenged, and I am also very involved with Emergency Preparedness working with my local community as well as local Fire Department.

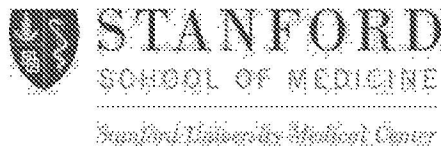
The Merlin water purifier has the potential to greatly impact both of these areas of my expertise. From a disaster preparedness perspective, having a durable, portable, affordable, solar powered source of clean drinking water in the case of a local or regional emergency is invaluable. Current options include local stockpiling (impractical), large water purification systems (expensive), or small mechanical or chemical systems (unable to meet need). Merlin has none of these limitations.

Additionally, universal access to clean water continues to be an enormous global challenge, one only getting worse with an increasing population, contributions by climate change, and worsening geopolitical conflict, often tied to concerns over protecting access to clean water. Creative applications of the Merlin portable water system could help in many currently hostile and or complex situations.

The science upon which the Merlin water purifier system is based is solid, and I have analyzed the purified water lab test results. The Merlin unit has transformed water from clearly unpleasant sources to clean, pleasant, and most importantly, safe, drinking water.

Truly a life saver.”

Eric L. Weiss, MD, DTM&H





Letter of Recommendation

“My name is Dan Ghiorso, chief of the Woodside Fire Protection District. We have three fire stations, that protect about 16,000-25,000 people spread across two Towns and unincorporated county areas with about 32 square miles of responsibility. Our district is a mix of medium density homes (4-5/acre), low density homes (1-20 acres, many with equestrian facilities), and second growth redwood forest/wilderness.

We live in Earthquake country; the San Andreas Fault goes directly through the Fire District. Preparing for the “big one” is something we think about every day. In the event of a large earthquake, we expect the municipal water pipes to break, the roads to become impassable, and the power grid to fail. We had previously planned to purchase one \$40k water purification system for each of our three fire stations (\$120k), until we learned of this Merlin portable, solar powered water purification system. For us, the Merlin system makes a lot more sense: we save money and reduce risk.

In the event of “the big one”:

- 1) Our firefighters won’t be hanging out at the fire stations, manning a water distribution system. They will be out in the field, rescuing people from collapsed buildings, putting out fires from broken gas mains, treating the injured, etc. Many firefighters won’t be able to get to their fire station, due to road failures/collapse.
- 2) The roads will buckle; trees will come down, landslides, etc..., so citizens will have a difficult time getting to the centralized fire stations to pick up water.
- 3) For the few people who do find a way to drive to the fire stations, most lack the water transport devices (i.e. big, clean buckets with lids) to collect drinking water to drive back home. Some will show up with 10 gal buckets, we would fill ‘em, but the water would splash out going around a curve, going up/down a hill, stopping at a stop sign, etc. So while citizens might depart the fire station with 2x10 gal buckets filled, they would drive home and arrive with 2 x 1 gals.

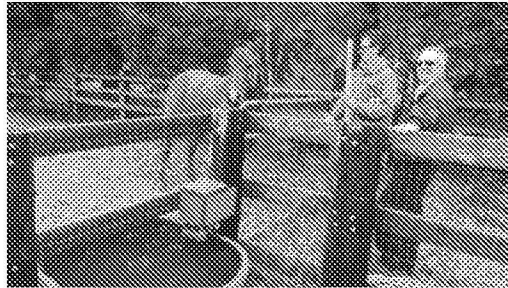
This Merlin portable, solar powered system saves us money and reduces risk. Including solar panels, wires, taxes, etc they sell for about \$2k apiece. We have 25 Citizen Emergency Response Preparedness Program (CERPP) divisions that serve our 16 k citizens. It saves us money (25x\$2k = \$50k, instead of 3x\$40k = \$120k), and reduces risk, to purchase these water purification systems, and

put them in the neighborhoods with the CERPP leaders. That way, people can walk down the street and carry back the emergency drinking/cooking water they need until their utilities are restored.

Fresh water sources include: collected rain water, a swimming pool, a hot tub, a pond, a creek, or a small river. Merlin can also add additional filters for the chemicals found in farming communities, i.e. fertilizers and pesticides. The system cannot remove salt from Sea water, nor radioactive materials (like Fukushima).

For capacity planning purposes, the system can deliver up to 1 gal/min (3.8liters) – about the same as a kitchen faucet, which if run 24/7, works out to 5,472 liters/day. World Health Organization (WHO) suggests 2 liters/day/person of drinking water, but more like 10 liters/day when you include clean water to cook, and to clean up. Run at half capacity, each Merlin system delivers some 2736 liters/day/system, or rounding down again, each system can comfortably deliver clean drinking water for some 250 people per day, from any of the sources cited above.

Each region in the USA has their own natural disasters: could be floods, could be earthquakes, could be tornados, could be ice storms, could be hurricanes, etc. Out here in California, we really like the performance of this system (\$/liter of clean drinking water), and its ability to help our citizens after natural (or even some man made) disasters occur. People using this system won't panic; they will survive, until public utilities are restored.



Any questions? Contact one of the local citizens who worked with me, [REDACTED]. I am the chief of a Fire Department for 2 towns and unincorporated county areas. You can call me at (650) 851-1594, or email me at dghiorso@woodsidefire.org. John is more likely to give you a quicker response; I might be fire fighting when you call. ☺

Dan Ghiorso, Fire Chief





The Merlin Eco-Solutions

Solar Powered, Water Purification Device

Executive Summary- 3-31-2015

We have developed a completely off the grid- portable water purification system that can safely process any fresh water source into potable water efficiently and easily. The filtering package weighs less than 35 lbs., and is less than 18" X 18" X 18" folded, or 36" X 18" X 8" thick unfolded. . It will fit on a shelf, in the cabin of a boat, or RV, or mounted to a wall, in a cabinet, or on a table-top.

The 12 volt DC Powered Water Purification system pulls, (self primes), water from a lake, river, pond or stream, or other non-potable fresh water source. The water is first pulled through and pre-filtered with a washable stainless steel 4 micron-screen, then pumped and pushed through a .5 micron ceramic scrubable filter, that has the capabilities of removing most if not all organic impurities as they are generally greater than one-micron in size. A micron is one millionth of a meter or 25,400 per inch in size – just so you get a grasp of the size particulates we are talking about here. The polished filtered water is then channeled past an Ultraviolet Light Disinfecting Process that has the ability to kill ALL bacteria, Viruses, Typhoid Fever, Coliform, Dysentery, Cholera, Infectious Jaundice, Hepatitis, and Influenza Virus, E-coli, Enteric Fever and many unwanted microorganisms to a 99.999% purity. We have had samples tested extensively and there have been ZERO pathogens present in any of the water samples taken and processed through our functioning unit. This purified water is intended to be used by anyone and everyone concerned with the quality of the water they are now using. We do not claim nor intend any salt water purification, just fresh water sources are to be processed with the Merlin Eco Solutions Purifier.

The solar collectors are flexible blankets, and very durable. They can be shipped flat or in a loose roll inside the pack or bucket, and unrolled and adhered to a hard surface when being set up. The self stick backing on the collectors is accessed by a peel and stick application, designed for an all weather, maintenance free application. The Merlin Eco Solutions Purifier can also be powered by any 12V car or small truck battery, or with a voltage converter, plug into a standard wall power outlet. The solar panels can also be used to charge the batteries during the day AND run the device, and keep the device active all night with the battery. A fully charged small car battery will run the unit non-stop for about 12-18 hours. The panels can charge the battery within approximately 3-4 hours of charging in full sunlight.

With any of the three power options, the Merlin Eco Solutions Purifier can produce up to 60 gallons of purified water per hour, or one gallon a minute. The system is simply activated with a simple switch, on demand, in full sunlit, daylight applications or wall outlet or battery back-up for night time, or cloudy day use. The power options allow a versatility that will adapt to most any need and conditions.

The filters and UV lamps are each designed to be durable to last and filter approximately 500,000 gallons of water before they need to be replaced. Each filter and lamp replacement are each less than \$35.00. This means for less than \$70.00 USD, (plus shipping and freight), another 500,000 gallons of water is available.

The Merlin Eco Solutions Purifier can be ordered in either a sturdy backpack, or housed in a durable plastic bucket, intended to be weather and impact resistant, and shipped globally. The bucket is made from "food grade" plastic and with the integral handles and lid, can be used to transport purified water to the end location if desired.

Our goal is to provide safe, clean and affordable potable water from otherwise unsafe sources. The Merlin Eco Solutions Purifier produces exactly that—safe, clean- affordable- drinkable water---anywhere.

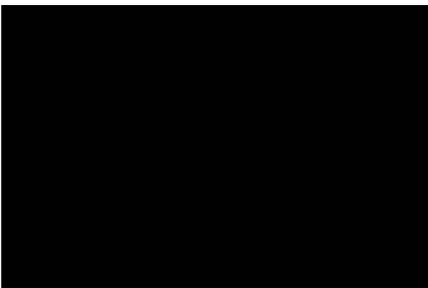
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From: [REDACTED], CRES, CBET [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:07 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Unfortunately all the governors actions are reactionary, responding to a situation created by an emergency manager appointed by the Governors office. Leadership should have taken the proper steps to test the flint river water for its corrosive nature, as required by federal law, prior to connecting to the flint water system. The issue with lead plumbing existed prior to the connection and was not a problem the introduction of corrosive water has cause lead to leach from the pipes long nascent. lead will continue to leach from the pipes as the proctive layor has been removed and exposing the raw lead

The Governors legacy will now include the poisoning of thousand's of flint residents, many of whom are children. The cost of health care and remedial actions will be in the billions and will be shouldered by the state. Such a tragic event I fear the Governors aspirations for higher office may be a bridge too far.



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Sincerely,

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From: [REDACTED] >
Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 7:11 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Dear Ms. Stoken.

I have been paying close attention to the Flint water issue and continue to be disappointed in the lack of compassion expressed by senior staff of the State of MI. Dan Wyant, MI director of the DEQ was interviewed today on NPR and the lack of compassion was so evident it was sad. The arrogance of this administration will only serve to keep the heat on about this issue. I am embarrassed to say I am from the state of MI.

Below is a quote from an article [REDACTED] regarding Volkswagen and what they will need to do to correct their crisis. You may want to remove "Volkswagen" and put in Michigan and read it that way.

"Jennifer Vickery, CEO, National Strategies Public Relations: "Volkswagen has a long road ahead. With billions of dollars in possible fines and a major tarnish to the brand name for an issue in which the public—particularly millennials—are passionate about, the automaker will need to aggressively communicate during this crisis. This situation has a large impact on many different levels: environmentally, economically, politically—not to mention the potential for class-action lawsuits and more.

"The resignation of Volkswagen's CEO was a no-brainer. This had to happen. A major problem is the public is unforgiving for lies when it comes to jeopardizing the environment. The U.S. public will tend to forgive and move forward with automotive recalls, correction of issues and deceit. However, when it comes to deception in damaging the environment in a population where there are now more millennials than baby boomers, and millennials making up a large demographic of customers for the brand, VW is in trouble.

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"Stakeholders may not like this approach. Typically internal boards want to publicly communicate important findings and positive actions only. However, with an issue of this size and of this type of deceit, it is going to really need to communicate more openly than they might want. It needs to comply with the EPA, take action, investigate hard, prosecute harder and be open every step of the way."

Write to [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] and follow him on [REDACTED]

On Thu, Oct 8, 2015 at 11:35 PM, [REDACTED] > wrote:
Dear Ms. Stoken,

Thank you for your lengthy and comprehensive response. I watched the news conference today from Flint, led off by the Governor and was disappointed with the matter of fact way this issue is being handled.

First let me say, I voted for Governor Snyder twice. I think he is a good business man and stepped in to the position of governor at a very difficult time with both national and local polarization in government. Governor Snyder eased into his role and did try to "work collaboratively" when there was not support for that approach. As Governor he has tried to even handedly approach issues with objectivity and a measured approach.

Taking Flint off of the Detroit Water System was a bad decision by every measure, and the amount of money it is going to take to correct this problem is staggering, due to the corrosion of pipes, the health of the children, the impact on the community and the loss of faith in government.

Conducting a news conference in such a matter of fact way, with no apologies, no admission this was a bad decision, surrounded by a bunch of men with the same approach was ill advised.

There is a business side of governance and there is the people side of governance. I have no problem with the Governor being a self described nerd, but then he needs to surround himself with some people with a heart, who can speak to the parents of children who are sick with worry about the impact of lead poisoning on their developing children.

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Sent from my iPad

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From: Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ)
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 1:41 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Cc: Shaler, Karen (DEQ); Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ)
Subject: RE: FLINT WATER : New form letter- questions

Hi Laura,
Can you please send me a copy of your final version that you are sending out to constituents? Thanks.

Mary Beth

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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2015 10:51 AM
To: Wurfel, Sara (GOV); Murray, David (GOV); Tommasulo, Karen (DEQ); Wurfel, Brad (DEQ)
Cc: Kennedy, Jordan (GOV); Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ)
Subject: FLINT WATER : New form letter- questions

Hi Team,

Please see below the proposed Flint Water form letter...

For our knowledge/ not the letter:

If someone can give me information on the initial switch that would be helpful- when, why.

Also, the action timeline from when the state found out about the lead, up to today.

Let me know if we are good to go on the letter.

Thank you,

Laura

Thank you for your recent correspondence sent to Governor Rick Snyder regarding the water in Flint. As a member of Governor Snyder's staff, I am responding on his behalf.

Flint families and children will be better protected by reconnecting with the Great Lakes Water Authority as the source of the city's drinking water until the Karegnondi Water Authority pipeline is completed. Governor Snyder has asked the state Legislature to provide half, or \$6 million, of the \$12 million needed to reconnect with the authority through next summer, when the KWA is expected to be

completed. The Flint city government will provide \$2 million and the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation has committed \$4 million.

Governor Snyder said “Flint residents need to have access to safe, clean, water now and long into the future.” The technical experts helping the city on its water advisory all agree this move back to the Great Lakes Water Authority provides the best public health protection for children and families. The Governor appreciates Detroit’s willingness to reconnect with Flint, the Mott Foundation’s generous commitment, and the dedication of all parties to come together to protect Flint families and children.

Flint city leaders requested the state’s help to fund the reconnection and to assist with health and infrastructure issues. Flint’s move to the Great Lakes Water Authority is expected to cost about \$1.3 million per month until the Karegnondi Water Authority is completed next summer.

The move to Detroit water, which is expected to carry, carries many public health benefits. As large bodies of water, the Great Lakes are naturally prone to fewer problems from large rain events and other runoff issues that can sometimes be present in shallower rivers. Additionally, the Great Lakes Water Authority water already has additional corrosion control, using phosphates to help coat the insides of pipes and limit lead from leaching into the water. However, reconnecting with the authority will not completely resolve the city’s problem with lead service lines or aging infrastructure. It will take time for pipes in Flint to become coated with the phosphate corrosion control. Additionally, some households in the city could experience lead in their drinking water until all lead pipes and plumbing are replaced.

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Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 2:21 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Cc: Shaler, Karen (DEQ)
Subject: RE: FLINT WATER : New form letter- questions

Sorry to hear about your computer! Thanks again!

Mary Beth

Mary Beth Thelen
Management Assistant to Director Dan Wyant
Department of Environmental Quality
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Cc: Shaler, Karen (DEQ) <SHALERK@michigan.gov>; Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ) <THELENM2@michigan.gov>
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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2015 10:51 AM
To: Wurfel, Sara (GOV); Murray, David (GOV); Tommasulo, Karen (DEQ); Wurfel, Brad (DEQ)
Cc: Kennedy, Jordan (GOV); Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ)
Subject: FLINT WATER : New form letter- questions

Hi Team,

Please see below the proposed Flint Water form letter....

For our knowledge/ not the letter:
If someone can give me information on the initial switch that would be helpful- when, why.

Also, the action timeline from when the state found out about the lead, up to today.

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Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 3:02 PM
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Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Dear Ms. Stoken,

I appreciate the fact that you responded to my comments. Unfortunately your response missed the point of my comments, almost entirely. I am very glad that steps are being taken to correct the problem and am aware that there are things that can be done to better protect individuals. However, my concern was in the way that the decision was made to initially make the changes that lead to the problem. I feel it was an indictment of the Emergency Manager Law. Personally I think that law needs to be off the books. But since the governor took our rights away to legally repeal the law through a public referendum, he needs to at least open up a public debate about its effectiveness. Placing so much power into one person's hands when it is about governing is dangerous and we see the manifestation of this now in Flint. Everyone in our state deserves to know who is accountable for this mistake as we will all surely be paying for it over the years.

[REDACTED]

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From: Kica, Beata (GOV)
Sent: Friday, October 16, 2015 8:20 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Lead Poisoning Proc

Hi Laura,

Received an email this morning from Janice Berry at MDHHS checking in on a proclamation they requested on Sept. 18th for Lead Poisoning Awareness and Prevention month. It was sent to the tributes email but it doesn't look like any follow up happened with it. We do have a copy of a proc we did for this last year. I could put it together quickly, but am not sure with recent events what your take on this is.

Thanks!
Beata

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, October 16, 2015 12:19 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Ms. Stoken,

I appreciate your sincere response. I'm not surprised to hear a Gov. Snyder representative speak about action steps in the future. This is good.

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Respectfully,

Rev. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2015 11:30 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: RE: Your Inquiry with Governor Rick Snyder's Office

Laura,
Is there someone else I should be reaching out to?
Thanks,
Joe

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, October 09, 2015 7:05 PM
To: 'Laura Stoken'
Subject: FW: Your Inquiry with Governor Rick Snyder's Office


Laura—I sent the instructions as opposed to the Executive Summary, now attached.
If there is Hope—I'll pen one, (Executive Summary)- just for the under counter unit – see photo, now attached.
Thanks,
Joe


From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, October 09, 2015 5:13 PM
To: 'Laura Stoken'
Subject: RE: Your Inquiry with Governor Rick Snyder's Office

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Here's my suggestion / thoughts--
Please help us set up in one, two or three Fire Stations. The Firemen's primary job is Health, Life and safety, as is ours as architects. I left a message for the Fire Chief. No response.
We are endorsed by the Emergency Responders in California, (Firemen) and being used there NOW. We are endorsed y Stanford Medical—and insured. Two, Patents are pending.
My other thought is to set up at a School or two that is affected. Not only can we help the kids, we can distribute to the public at large from a public source.
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Trucking water in plastic bottles from Detroit to Flint every day as Ray and Anthony are doing per the news articles by Priyya Mann and Fox 2 News, is wrong on so many levels!
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Our units are good for a million gallons and 2,000 gallons each filter minimum. We can test on the spot.

After reviewing the attachments, please do not hesitate to contact me. If I'm awake, I'm working.

Thanks,



From: Laura Stoken [<mailto:stokenl@michigan.gov>]
Sent: Friday, October 09, 2015 3:43 PM
To: 
Subject: Re: Your Inquiry with Governor Rick Snyder's Office

Dear ,

Thank you for the recent inquiry submitted to Governor Rick Snyder's office. Your inquiry was received in this office on 10/9/2015 3:28 PM. We assign each case a unique reference number -- which it makes it easier for us to assist you moving forward. Your case number is S290647. For your convenience, I've included a copy of your initial inquiry just below my signature line and contact information.

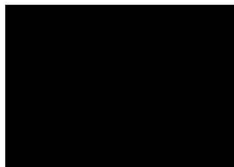
In an effort to be of assistance, I can report that I've forwarded your correspondence to the appropriate department for review. We will be following up with you in the near future. Meanwhile, please do not hesitate to contact me directly for updates or if there is anything else I can be doing for you.

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Constituent Services Division
Executive Office of the Governor, Rick Snyder
O: 517-335-7858

Here's a copy of the information you provided us online:

NAME:
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E-MAIL:
TELEPHONE:



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 10:05 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Thank you for your prompt response. I knew of the history, my question was and still is a matter of accountability. There has to be someone held accountable, and so far there has not been. Until government is accountable there can be no progress. The person or persons who made the choice to let the tainted water go through the pipes to the citizens need to be held accountable, not hidden behind a smoke screen.

Sent from my iPad

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, October 21, 2015 10:22 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Thanks for the canned response. I would appreciate it if you could answer my question as to why GM was able to disconnect from Flint water in 2014, while residents suffered with tainted water for at least another year.

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2015 4:25 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV); Adamczyk, Lynne (GOV)
Subject: RE: State Portion of Flint Water Reconnection

Yep. They're all aware of the situation.

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2015 4:23 PM
To: Adamczyk, Lynne (GOV) <adamczyk1@michigan.gov>; Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) <wisniewski.w@michigan.gov>
Subject: FW: State Portion of Flint Water Reconnection

This came into the Governor's public facing account- I assume it's taken care since DM is on it....

From: Workman, Wayne (TREASURY)
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2015 3:47 PM
To: Saxton, Thomas (Treasury) <SaxtonT@michigan.gov>
Cc: Khouri, Nick (TREASURY) <KhouriN@michigan.gov>; GovernorsOffice <GovernorsOffice@michigan.gov>; Muchmore, Dennis (GOV) <muchmored@michigan.gov>; nhenderson@cityofflint.com; Stanton, Terry A. (Treasury) <StantonT@michigan.gov>; Ryan, Howard (Treasury) <RyanH1@michigan.gov>
Subject: Re: State Portion of Flint Water Reconnection

He is calling me at 4:00 and I will fill him in

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 22, 2015, at 3:43 PM, Rep. Sheldon Neeley (District 34) <SheldonNeeley@house.mi.gov> wrote:

Please see attached letter. Thanks for your cooperation.

Sheldon

<Treasury Letter.pdf>

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2015 12:17 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

You did everything but answer the question. Under Rick Snyder, our taxes have increased just about three thousand, nine hundred dollars a year. That is right ...\$3,900 per YEAR.. This was money my wife and I earned for the future of our blind son. Rick Snyder has wasted every cent of it trying to pretend he is important in our view. For a guy that bought all that education he does not come across as very quick on dealing with anything. Why should our blind son have to do with less when Rick squanders it ? [REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: Laura Stoken <stokenl@michigan.gov>
To: [REDACTED]
Sent: Mon, Oct 19, 2015 9:03 am
Subject: Executive Office of the Governor

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Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 12:51 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Dear Laura,

Thank you for your reply. I'm very glad that all that can be done at this point, for the children of Flint, is being done.

I read your letter carefully and there is no explanation of the Governor's comment (on Flashpoint last Sunday) that the Flint water problem was caused by a vote of the Detroit City Council. This really puzzled me. I even relistened and indeed that's what he said. "Actually a vote of Detroit City Council that made the decision to leave Detroit sewer and water"

Did he misspeak?

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

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From: Murray, David (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2015 7:15 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: FW: Information about Flint blood lead level testing results release
Attachments: 2015-11-18 - Flint Lead FINAL.pdf; Flint EBL Data Press Release DM.docx; Flint Water Talking Points 111915 V3.docx

Laura,

This was sent to the governor for his information Thursday night. I expect changes -- perhaps substantial changes -- to the release, so not for sharing at this point.

Dave

Good evening Governor and team,

We're working with the Department of Health and Human Services on its release of blood lead level testing results, with some continuing discussions about messaging and timing. I've attached the draft press release, an informational graphic and talking points.

This is a challenging situation to be sure, but I think these results are fairly encouraging considering some of the heated rhetoric on this issue. We are discussing a "people first" approach to messaging, and perhaps issuing early next week rather than on at 9:30 a.m. on a Friday so it doesn't look like we are burying news.

In a nutshell:

- Blood lead level testing results released today revealed that 24 of 963 adults and children tested in Flint in October had elevated levels, according to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.
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- Information was gathered from tests administered citywide to 963 children and adults between October 1 and October 30. Eighteen people age 17 or younger had elevated blood lead levels. Six adults over the age 18 were identified with elevated blood lead levels.
- The testing and follow-up work is part of our action plan.

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MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (MDHHS) **BLOOD LEAD LEVEL TEST RESULTS FOR FLINT ZIP CODES 48501-48507** **SUMMARY AS OF OCTOBER 30, 2015**

Executive Summary

This report is generated by MDHHS to track Blood Lead Level test results in Flint, Michigan.

- Counts on this report include both capillary and venous blood tests. People who have had multiple tests are counted only once.
- Since 10/1/2015, an additional 963 people have been tested in Flint.
- Continued testing efforts by Genesee County Health Department, MDHHS and local medical personnel have identified 18 children with blood lead levels greater than or equal to 5µg/dL since 10/1/2015.
- Three percent of the children younger than 6 years old tested since 10/1/2015 have had blood lead levels greater than or equal to 5µg/dL.
- Additional testing is ongoing. Counts will vary as new results are added.

Number of People Tested for Lead in Flint

Total number of people tested for lead from 1/1/2013 to 4/14/2014	4657
Total number of people tested for lead from 4/15/2014 to 9/30/2015	5017
Total number of people tested for lead since 10/1/2015:	963

Children Younger than 6 Years Old with Blood Lead Levels (BLL) ≥5µg/dL

Total number of children tested for lead from 1/1/2013 to 4/14/2014	3811
Number of child BLL test results ≥5µg/dL from 1/1/2013 to 4/14/2014	112
Total number of children tested for lead from 4/15/2014 to 9/30/2015:	4156
Number of child BLL test results ≥5µg/dL from 4/15/2014 to 9/30/2015:	181
Total number of children tested for lead since 10/1/2015:	385
Number of child BLL test results ≥5µg/dL since 10/1/2015:	12

Adults (18 Years or Older) with Blood Lead Levels (BLL) ≥5µg/dL

Total number of adults tested for lead from 1/1/2013 to 4/14/2014	170
Number of adult BLL test results ≥5µg/dL from 1/1/2013 to 4/14/2014	22
Total number of adults tested for lead from 4/15/2014 to 9/30/2015:	207
Number of adult BLL test results ≥5µg/dL from 4/15/2014 to 9/30/2015:	13
Total number of adults tested for lead since 10/1/2015:	289
Number of adult BLL test results ≥5µg/dL since 10/1/2015:	6

Children 6 to 17 Years Old with Blood Lead Levels (BLL) ≥5µg/dL

Total number of children tested for lead from 1/1/2013 to 4/14/2014	676
Number of child BLL test results ≥5µg/dL from 1/1/2013 to 4/14/2014	5
Total number of children tested for lead from 4/15/2014 to 9/30/2015:	654
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MDHHS releases October data outlining blood lead levels in Flint
Results show 24 of 963 people tested had elevated levels

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The report is intended to inform residents about blood lead level testing efforts in Flint and provide cumulative total numbers.

“Our goal is to help families reduce their exposure to lead sources,” said Dr. Eden Wells, chief medical executive with the MDHHS. “We have made progress in testing and identifying those with elevated blood lead levels, and the department will continue to work closely with county health department to reach these families. We will update these numbers on a regular basis and remain diligent in our ongoing outreach and education.”

The data in the report include the total number of tests conducted and the total number of elevated blood lead levels greater than 5 micrograms per deciliter, and captures both capillary and venous blood tests. People who have had multiple tests are counted only once. The full report is posted online at www.michigan.gov/flintwater and will be updated as more data becomes available.

The testing is part of the state’s action plan to address health concerns related to Flint’s water infrastructure.

Last month, MDHHS collaborated with the county health department and local partners to distribute educational resources and informational letter to Flint parents regarding lead testing. GCHD nursing staff are conducting direct outreach to families when an elevated blood lead level has been detected, serving as an important resources by addressing questions and concerns, providing information, and meeting them in their home environment.

MDHHS continues to provide free water filters and replacement cartridges to Flint residents at four locations including the MDHHS Flint offices and the Genesee County Community Action

Resource Department. For a full list of locations and hours of distribution, visit www.michigan.gov/flintwater.

To help residents properly install water filters, and to demonstrate how to replace the original when it expires, MDHHS has created an instructional on the [MDHHS YouTube channel](#). For additional updates on Flint water including updates on blood lead levels and testing results, visit www.michigan.gov/flintwater.

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Blood Lead Levels in Flint Talking Points

November 18, 2015

Blood Lead Level Testing Results

- The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services is releasing a report regarding blood lead levels in Flint children and adults in zip codes 48501-48507.
- The purpose of the report is to inform residents about blood lead level testing efforts in Flint and provides cumulative total numbers.
- It is not intended to be a technical report but a technical description, and further analysis of the data in the report is underway.
- The data in the report include the total number of tests conducted and the total number of elevated blood lead levels $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ (micrograms per deciliter), broken down by date and age ranges.
 - Specifically, the current report breaks down the data by the 16 months prior to the switch in water source for Flint (January 1, 2013 through April 14, 2014), to the 17 months after the switch (April 15, 2014 through September 30, 2015), and after the lead exposure prevention campaign was initiated by the State in Flint October 1, 2015 to October 30, 2015. These numbers will continue to be updated.
 - The report also breaks down the number of tests and elevated blood lead levels by children younger than 6, children ages 6-17, and adults 18 years and older.
 - Lead exposure for children younger than 6 is of particular concern because they are more sensitive to the effects of lead and tend to absorb more than older children and adults.
- Data in the report includes both capillary and venous blood tests. People who have had multiple tests are counted only once.
- 963 people were tested in Flint between October 1, 2015, and October 30, 2015, 18 children 17 years of age or younger had elevated blood lead levels. Six adults over the age of 18 were identified with elevated blood lead levels during this time as well.
- With these testing results, MDHHS is working closely with the Genesee County Health Department to conduct case management to ensure that these families are receiving the follow up care they need - including additional blood testing and a home investigation to identify and help reduce the potential for additional lead exposure in their environment.
- In addition to this report, MDHHS has zip code level data available by quarter for 48503-48507 by request. Zip codes 48501-48502 do have some cases, but the numbers are too small to release by quarter.

Water Filters and Replacement Filters

- Our first action item is to work closely with our public and private partners to provide water filters to Flint residents and MDHHS clients.
- To meet this priority, the governor identified one million dollars in state funding to purchase water filters for Flint residents.
- The Brita SAFF-100 filters being distributed by the department and GCCARD do meet the NSF/ANSI 53 standards for drinking water treatment units.
- The Brita faucet filtration system we are distributing are National Sanitation Foundation certified to reduce lead in drinking water.
- Free water filters and replacement cartridges are available to current Michigan Department of Health and Human Services clients and Flint residents who are on the Flint water system at four locations:
 - Flint residents who are not current MDHHS clients should visit one of two Genesee County Community Action Resource Department offices to obtain a filter.
 - at 2727 Lippincott and 601 North Saginaw in Flint
 - Current MDHHS clients in the city of Flint should visit their local MDHHS office:
 - At 125 E. Union St. or 4809 Clio Road
- Staff will be onsite at all four locations from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, to distribute filters and assist residents who have questions about proper installation.
- Given the questions and concerns regarding the change in water source in Flint, MDHHS authorized the use of emergency services funding to provide water filters for MDHHS clients receiving assistance in the city of Flint.
- This funding will support active Family Independence Program (FIP), Food Assistance Program (FAP), Child Development and Care (CDC), State Disability Assistance (SDA), State Disability Assistance (SDA), or Social Security Insurance (SSI) recipients so that they can obtain filters that are National Sanitation Foundation (NSF) certified to remove lead and ANSI Standard 53.
- MDHHS has also posted an instructional video on the MDHHS YouTube channel to help residents properly install water filters, and to demonstrate how to replace the original filter when it expires.
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=plsOvmH__0
- MDHHS currently serves approximately 25,000 households in Flint.

Background Information

- Initial analysis of MDHHS data found that blood lead levels of children in Flint have followed an expected seasonal trend; due to small numbers further analysis was initiated.

- While this analysis of blood lead levels in Flint as a whole remains true, after a comprehensive and detailed review down to the zip code level, we have found that the state analysis is consistent with that presented by Hurley.
- Director Lyon is working closely with DEQ and the administration to take active steps to reduce all potential lead exposures in Flint and across the state.
- Our Chief Medical Executive has been in communication with the lead investigator at Hurley Children's Hospital, and we continue to work with Hurley, the city of Flint, local and state leaders to verify and analyze data trends.
- Zip code-level data does show that there has been an increase in elevated childhood blood lead levels in specific communities.
 - This does not conclusively mean that the water source change is the sole cause of the increase, but data does show an association.
 - There is an increased proportion of children with elevated blood levels in several zip codes, particularly 03 and 04. These appear to have increased over the last 1.5 years.
 - Lead exposure can occur from a number of different sources (such as paint, gasoline, solder, and consumer products) and through different pathways (such as air, food, water, dust, and soil).
 - Although there are several exposure sources, lead-based paint is still the most widespread and dangerous high-dose source of lead exposure for young children in the US and Michigan.
- We reviewed MDHHS statewide data using the same methodology used by Hurley, looking at our numbers by zip code and age ranges, and filtering out non-Flint children.
- Routine surveillance of blood lead levels does not analyze data down to the zip code level. Detailed analysis like this occurs when there is reason to focus in on precise locations or populations.
- MDHHS is working closely with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Hurley Children's Hospital, the Genesee County Health Department, and community organizations to initiate further action steps.
- We understand that cost may be a barrier to following the recommendations for drinking water, which is why NSF-certified filters are being distributed to residents on the Flint water system free of charge.
- MDHHS is recommending that residents follow the Public Health Advisory issued by the Genesee County Health Department, as well as take further steps to reduce exposures to all forms of lead in and around their homes.

MDHHS Stats and Facts

- 'High Risk' Zip codes (48503 and 48504)

- Blood lead level rates among children under six years of age in the high risk zip codes (48503, 48504) were 2.7 times higher than the rest of Genesee County before the switch to Flint River Water.
- After the switch to Flint River Water, rates in the high risk Zip codes were 3.2 times that of the rest of Genesee County.
- Other Zip codes in Flint
 - Rates of elevated blood lead levels among children under six years of age in other parts of the city of Flint were 2 times that of the rest of Genesee County before the switch to Flint River Water.
 - The magnitude of the elevated rate remained roughly the same during the period after the water source switch.
- Lead abatement through MDHHS was federally funded up until FY14 when Michigan began providing additional funds to abate homes.
- In FY14, \$1.25M General Fund was added. In FY15, General Fund was bumped up to \$1.75M and FY16, General Fund remains at \$1.75M.

Reducing and Removing Lead Exposure

- Use only cold filtered water from the tap for drinking, cooking, and making baby formula. Hot water is more likely to contain higher levels of lead. The lead in household water usually comes from the service line that connects your house to the water main or the plumbing in your house, not from the local water supply.
- In housing built before 1978, it can be assumed that the paint has lead unless tests show otherwise.
- Make sure your child does not have access to peeling paint or chewable surfaces painted with lead-based paint.
- Children and pregnant women should not be present in housing built before 1978 that is undergoing renovation. They should not participate in activities that disturb old paint or in cleaning up paint debris after work is completed.
- Create barriers between living/play areas and lead sources. Until environmental clean-up is completed, you should clean and isolate all sources of lead.
 - Close and lock doors to keep children away from chipping or peeling paint on walls. You can also apply temporary barriers such as contact paper or duct tape, to cover holes in walls or to block children's access to other sources of lead.
- Regularly wash children's hands and toys. Hands and toys can become contaminated from household dust or exterior soil. Both can be lead sources.
- Regularly wet-mop floors and wet-wipe window components. Because household dust is a major source of lead, you should wet-mop floors and wet-wipe horizontal surfaces every 2-3 weeks.

- Windowsills and wells can contain high levels of leaded dust. They should be kept clean. If feasible, windows should be kept shut to prevent abrasion of painted surfaces or opened from the top sash.
- Take off shoes when entering the house to prevent bringing lead-contaminated soil in from outside.
- Prevent children from playing in bare soil; if possible, provide them with sandboxes. Plant grass on areas of bare soil or cover the soil with grass seed, mulch, or wood chips, if possible.
 - Until the bare soil is covered, move play areas away from bare soil and away from the sides of the house. If you have a sandbox, cover the box when not in use to prevent cats from using it as a litter box. That will help protect children from exposure to animal waste.
- Avoid using makeup, containers, cookware, or tableware to store or cook foods or liquids that are not shown to be lead-free.
- Remove recalled toys and toy jewelry immediately from children.
- Shower and change clothes after finishing a task that involves working with lead-based products such as stained glass, making bullets, or using a firing range.

If possible, shower and change before returning home if your job requires you to work with or around lead. These jobs can include painting, plumbing, and some factory work.

WIC Children

- There are 855 infants participating in WIC in Flint.
- We are working with partners at the United Way to ensure that WIC families have access to water filters and bottled water.
- In homes with infants on WIC, if the household has documentation from an official source documenting unsanitary water supply issues, that family may be eligible to receive ready-to-feed formula. Families should contact WIC to see if they are eligible.
- Each household will be considered on an individual basis.
- WIC cannot cover bottled water.

From: Murray, David (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 11:54 AM
To: Heaton, Anna (GOV); Biehl, Laura (GOV); Stoken, Laura (GOV); Paciorek, Josh (GOV); Sachs, Tori (GOV); Brown, Jessica (GOV); Kennedy, Jordan (GOV)
Subject: FW: Flint EBL Release & Documents
Attachments: Flint EBL Data Press Release V9.docx; Comms Plan - Flint EBL Data Summary 12315.docx; Flint Blood Lead Level Summary Report Dec.pdf

Team,

This is the most updated version of the DHHS press release and is likely to be released this afternoon. I'm hoping to reach Jarrod to confirm he and the Governor are comfortable with this.

Dave

From: Eisner, Jennifer (DHHS)
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 11:18 AM
To: Agen, Jarrod (GOV) <AgenJ@michigan.gov>; Baird, Richard (GOV) <bairdr@michigan.gov>; Murray, David (GOV) <MurrayD1@michigan.gov>; Wyant, Dan (DEQ) <WyantD@michigan.gov>; Wurfel, Brad (DEQ) <WurfelB@michigan.gov>; Tommasulo, Karen (DEQ) <TommasuloK@michigan.gov>; Lyon, Nick (DHHS) <LyonN2@michigan.gov>; Becker, Timothy (DHHS) <beckert1@michigan.gov>; Lasher, GERALYN (DHHS) <lasherG@michigan.gov>; Minicuci, Angela (DHHS) <MinicuciA@michigan.gov>; Kennedy, Jordan (GOV) <KennedyJ4@michigan.gov>; Grijalva, Nancy (DHHS) <GrijalvaN@michigan.gov>; Granger, Patricia (DHHS) <GrangerP@michigan.gov>
Subject: Flint EBL Release & Documents

Good morning, all:

Attached for your review please find the updated press release, communications plan and December summary report regarding elevated blood lead levels in Flint. We are planning to issue the release and post the report today at 2 p.m.

Yesterday, Dave sent over a two questions from the governor. Our team has provided the following responses:

Do the elevated lead levels stick with a person for life?

We do see blood lead levels decrease after education takes place and exposure to lead sources is reduced. The purpose of screening children for lead is to identify those with elevated levels. Removing potential sources of lead exposure and ensuring proper nutrition and healthcare leads to decreases in blood lead levels in follow-up testing, which is an important part of case management. Lead has a half-life in blood of approximately 25 days; in soft tissue, about 40 days; and in the non-labile portion of bone, more than 25 years.

Why do the lead levels spike on a seasonal basis?

When reviewing historical trend data, the risk of lead exposure is highest during the third quarter of each year – July through September. Seasonal variation is the result of a number of factors including increased exposure to lead in dust and soil in the summer months.

The notifications will be timed as follows:

1:30 p.m.

- Send final embargoed release and summary report to:
 - Genesee County Health Department – Geralyn Lasher
 - Dr. Mona Hannah-Attisha – Geralyn Lasher
 - Task Force Members – Geralyn Lasher
 - City of Flint Mayor’s Office – Geralyn Lasher
 - Congress and legislature – Elizabeth Hertel

2 p.m.

- Issue press release and summary report
- Post press release and summary report to MDHHS website newsroom and Flint Water website, www.michigan.gov/flintwater

Please let me know if you have any additional questions, edits or concerns.

Thank you,

Jennifer Eisner

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RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
December 3, 2015

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MDHHS releases latest data outlining blood lead levels in Flint
Follow-up care, case management resources continue for families

LANSING, Mich. – Preliminary data indicates that 30 of 1,361 adults and children tested in Flint since October 1 had elevated blood lead levels, according to a report issued today by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

This marks the first summary report on lead testing called for in the state's action plan related to health concerns about Flint's water infrastructure.

"Our goal is to help families reduce their exposure to lead sources," said Dr. Eden Wells, MDHHS chief medical executive. "We have made progress in testing and identifying those with elevated blood lead levels, and the department will continue to work closely with the Genesee County Health Department to reach these families. We will remain diligent in our ongoing outreach and education efforts."

Information comes from tests administered citywide to 1,361 children and adults since October 1. Tests showed that 21 of 969 children age 17 or younger and 9 of 392 adults over the age 18 were identified with elevated blood lead levels.

The report covers test results reported to MDHHS since the state action plan was put in place Oct. 2. It includes the number of tests and number of elevated blood lead levels greater than 5 micrograms per deciliter, and captures both capillary and venous blood tests that have been reported to MDHHS since the beginning of October. People who have had multiple tests are counted only once. Five micrograms per deciliter is the level that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention considers elevated and triggers health care professional follow up with families.

The full report is posted online at www.michigan.gov/flintwater and will be updated as more data becomes available.

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In the third quarter of 2010, 8.3 percent of Flint children 6 and under showed elevated blood lead levels. The figure gradually decreased to 4.1 percent in the third quarter of 2013. During the same months in 2014, the figure increased to 7.5 percent and decreased to 6.4 percent in the third quarter of 2015.

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Last month, MDHHS collaborated with the county health department and local partners to distribute educational resources and informational letters to Flint parents regarding lead testing. The state is providing funding for GCHD nurses to work with families when an elevated blood lead level has been detected. During these follow-up visits, nurses coordinate with environmental health investigators to meet with families in their homes to identify lead exposures, address questions and provide water filters. People can be exposed to lead from paint, soil, plumbing and other sources.

MDHHS continues to provide free water filters and replacement cartridges to Flint residents at four locations, including the MDHHS Flint offices and the Genesee County Community Action Resource Department. For a full list of locations and hours of distribution, visit www.michigan.gov/flintwater.

To help residents properly install water filters, and to demonstrate how to replace the original when it expires, MDHHS has created an instructional video on its [YouTube channel](#). For updates, visit www.michigan.gov/flintwater.

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Flint EBL Data Summary

Communications Plan

Purpose

To release elevated blood lead level data for the city of Flint and communicate the summary to our partners in the community as well as local and state media. The report is intended to inform residents about blood lead level testing efforts in Flint and provide preliminary cumulative numbers on an ongoing basis.

Communications Timeline – December 3, 2015

11 a.m.

- Send final release and summary report to Governor's office, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality

1:30 p.m.

- Send final embargoed release and summary report to:
 - Genesee County Health Department – Geralyn Lasher
 - Dr. Mona Hannah-Attisha – Geralyn Lasher
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2 p.m.

- Issue press release and summary report
- Post press release and summary report to MDHHS website newsroom and Flint Water website, www.michigan.gov/flintwater

3 p.m.

- Pitched media interviews with Dr. Eden Wells:
 - Ron Fonger, MLive
 - Kristi Tanner, Detroit Free Press
 - Robin Erb, Detroit Free Press
 - Steve Carmody, Michigan Radio

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- Geralyn Lasher, cell – [REDACTED]
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Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS)

Blood Lead Level Test Results for Flint Zip Codes 48501-48507

Genesee County, and the State of Michigan

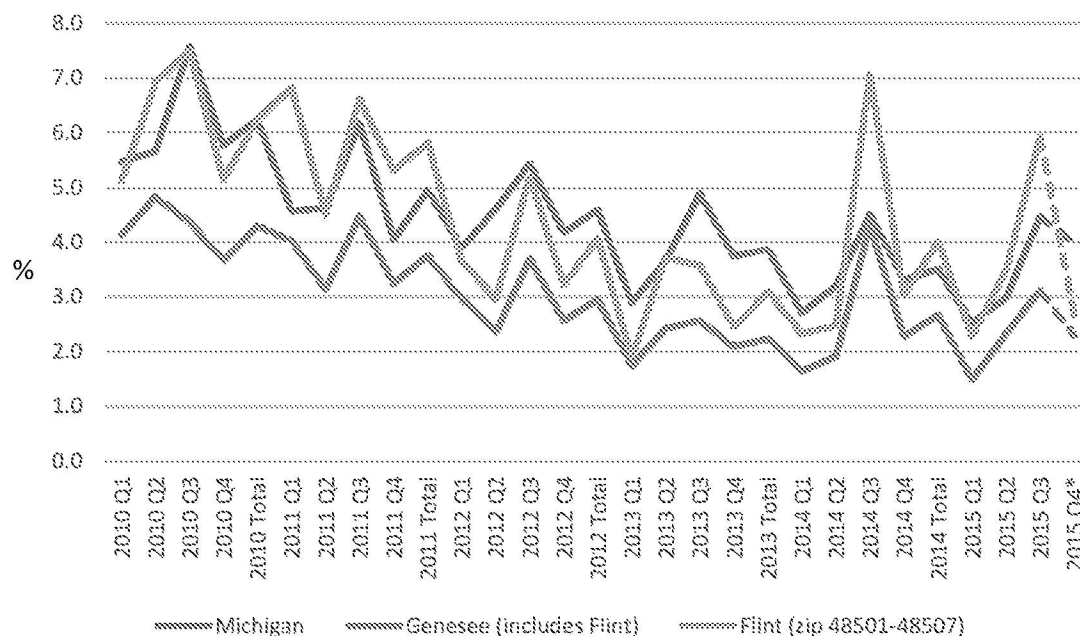
Summary as of November 13, 2015

Executive Summary

This report is generated by MDHHS to track Blood Lead Level test results in Flint, Michigan.

- Counts on this report include both capillary and venous blood tests. People who have had multiple tests are counted only once per year.
- Since 10/1/2015, an additional 1,361 people have been tested in Flint.
- Continued testing efforts by Genesee County Health Department, MDHHS and local medical personnel have identified 21 children with blood lead levels greater than or equal to 5µg/dL (micrograms per deciliter) since 10/1/2015.
- Three percent of the children younger than 6 years old tested since 10/1/2015 have had blood lead levels greater than or equal to 5µg/dL.
- Additional testing is ongoing. Counts will vary as new results are added.

Incidence of elevated blood lead ≥ 5 mcg/dl among children < 6 years of age by quarter, 2010- 2015



Deduplicated by year, retains test during the time period.

*Data for Q4 2015 are incomplete

* Data for Quarter 4 of 2015 are incomplete and subject to change

	Children younger than 6 Years Old			Children 6 to 17 Years Old		
	Michigan	Genesee County	Flint 48501-48507	Michigan	Genesee County	Flint 48501-48507
Total tested for lead 1/1/2010 to 12/31/2010:	152,608	6,932	3,560	17,963	867	463
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2010 to 12/31/10:	9,509	298	222	907	25	20
Total tested for lead from 1/1/2011 to 12/31/2011:	149,420	6,667	3,093	15,725	1,038	544
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2011 to 12/31/11:	7,392	250	180	651	20	15
Total tested for lead 1/1/2012 to 12/31/2012:	146,142	7,008	3,112	15,460	1,386	630
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2012 to 12/31/12:	6,704	206	127	478	17	12
Total tested for lead 1/1/2013 to 12/31/2013:	145,813	6,986	3,077	13,897	1,241	566
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2013 to 12/31/13:	5,647	156	95	342	9	4
Total tested for lead 1/1/2014 to 12/31/2014:	141,355	6,690	3,045	12,936	913	428
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2014 to 12/31/14:	4,948	178	122	386	6	5
Total tested for lead 1/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	120,699	5,778	2,704	10,841	1,197	765
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	4,200	149	101	309	10	8
Total tested for lead 10/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	14,593	957	560	1,412	502	409
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 10/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	583	22	15	38	6	6

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	Adults 18 Years and Older			Total Number of People of All Ages Tested		
	Michigan	Genesee County	Flint 48501-48507	Michigan	Genesee County	Flint 48501-48507
Total tested for lead 1/1/2010 to 12/31/2010:	13,853	602	195	184,424	8,401	4,218
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2010 to 12/31/10:	1,462	42	18	11,878	365	260
Total tested for lead 1/1/2011 to 12/31/2011:	13,259	542	139	178,404	8,247	2,726
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2011 to 12/31/11:	1,369	44	16	9,412	314	211
Total tested for lead 1/1/2012 to 12/31/2012:	13,059	556	155	174,661	8,950	3,907
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2012 to 12/31/12:	1,415	33	11	8,597	256	150
Total tested for lead 1/1/2013 to 12/31/2013:	12,199	498	136	171,909	8,725	3,779
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2013 to 12/31/13:	1,499	54	16	7,488	219	115
Total tested for lead 1/1/2014 to 12/31/2014:	12,684	441	112	166,975	8,044	3,585
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2014 to 12/31/14:	1,422	44	12	6,756	228	139
Total tested for lead 1/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	11,685	860	526	143,225	7,835	3,995
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	1,195	30	15	5,704	204	124
Total tested for lead 10/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	1,615	483	392	17,620	1,942	1,361
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 10/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	160	11	9	781	44	30

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, December 05, 2015 7:44 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Is our Flint water now safe to drink?

Please let me know. Thanks.

[REDACTED]

From: Laura Stoken [<mailto:stokenl@michigan.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 12:27 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Executive Office of the Governor

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your recent correspondence sent to Governor Rick Snyder regarding the water in Flint. As a member of Governor Snyder's staff, I am responding on his behalf.

Governor Snyder announced a comprehensive action plan created with state, federal and city leaders to address concerns about drinking water. Governor Snyder said "Flint residents need to have access to safe, clean, water now and long into the future." The water leaving Flint's drinking water system is safe to drink, but some families with lead plumbing in their homes or service connections could experience higher levels of lead in the water that comes out of their faucets.

The action plan focuses on increasing water testing, offering additional precautions for families with lead plumbing in their homes, and providing long-term solutions to address the city's water infrastructure challenges. The plan was created at the Governor's direction by the Michigan Departments of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and Health and Human Services (DHHS), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the city of Flint. This action plan builds upon ongoing work with local, state and federal agencies and our partnership with city and community leaders. Together, we are working to ensure that all Flint residents have accurate information and know that help is available to address potential problems.

The city and the state also are working together to gather more data to ensure the water that leaves the treatment plant as well as the water that arrives in Flint homes is safe for all residents. The plan includes:

- Testing in Flint public schools immediately to ensure that drinking water is safe, with testing also available at no cost to any other school in Flint.
- Offering free water testing to Flint residents to assure their drinking water is safe.
- Providing free water filters to residents.
- Expanding health exposure testing of individual homes.
- Accelerating corrosion controls in the Flint drinking water system.
- Accelerating water system improvements to address replacing lead service lines.
- Expediting the completion of the Karegnondi Water Authority pipeline.

- Expanding a Safe Drinking Water Technical Advisory Committee to ensure the best technology, practices and science are being followed by adding an expert from the Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Research and Development to the group.
- Naming Dr. Eden Wells, chief medical executive for the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, as the Flint drinking water public health adviser.
- Boosting a comprehensive lead education program to make sure residents have detailed information about how to protect themselves and their homes.

Residents can have their water tested by calling 810-787-6537 and pressing 1, or emailing flintwater@cityofflint.com. The DEQ is covering the cost of this testing.

To ensure safe drinking water, the state of Michigan is providing water filters for free. Freewater filters will be available to current Michigan Department of Health and Human Services clients and Flint residents at four locations beginning Tuesday, October 6, at 9 a.m. through a partnership between the MDHHS and the Genesee County Community Action Resource Department. Free National Sanitation Foundation certified water filters are being provided to Flint residents as part of the administration's comprehensive approach to addressing water concerns in the area.

Current MDHHS clients are encouraged to visit either the 125 E. Union St. or 4809 Clio Road MDHHS office location to obtain a free, certified home water filter. Residents who are not currently enrolled in MDHHS assistance programs should visit the Genesee County Community Action Resource Department offices located at 2727 Lippincott and 601 North Saginaw in Flint. Staff will be onsite at all four locations from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, to distribute filters and assist residents who have questions about proper installation.

Please visit Michigan.gov/Flintwater for additional resources.

Thank you, again, for taking the time to share your concerns with our office. Should you have any further comments, questions or concerns regarding this or any other state-related matter, I've included my contact information below.

Sincerely,

Laura Stoken
 Constituent Relations Division
 Executive Office of the Governor, Rick Snyder
 517.335.7858 (o)

From: Murray, David (GOV)
Sent: Monday, December 07, 2015 10:54 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV); Biehl, Laura (GOV); Heaton, Anna (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint Water- Updated Form letter (For your approval)

Laura, I'd strike the two paragraphs I underlined.

Dave

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Monday, December 07, 2015 10:29 AM
To: Biehl, Laura (GOV) <BiehlL@michigan.gov>; Heaton, Anna (GOV) <HeatonA@michigan.gov>
Cc: Murray, David (GOV) <MurrayD1@michigan.gov>
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On October 21, Governor Snyder announced the creation of an independent advisory task force charged with reviewing actions regarding water use and testing in Flint and offer

recommendations for future guidelines to protect the health and safety of all state residents.

Governor Snyder said “Flint families and children will be better protected by reconnecting with the Great Lakes Water Authority as the source of the city’s drinking water is a critical step to resolving water quality issues and addressing related health concerns. It will not immediately resolve the city’s problem with lead service lines or aging infrastructure. It will take time for pipes in Flint to become coated with the phosphate corrosion control.”

The move to Detroit water is expected to include many public health benefits. As large bodies of water, the Great Lakes are naturally prone to fewer problems from large rain events and other run off issues that can sometimes be present in shallower rivers. Additionally, the Great Lakes Water Authority water already has additional corrosion control, using phosphates to help coat the insides of pipes and limit lead from leaching into the water. However, reconnecting with the authority will not completely resolve the city’s problem with lead service lines or aging infrastructure. It will take time for pipes in Flint to become coated with the phosphate corrosion control. Additionally, some households in the city could experience lead in their drinking water until all lead pipes and plumbing are replaced.

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Laura Stoken
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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2015 3:58 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

This summary of events is sad and maddening to me, yet understandable. I guess without actually interacting with a person who has been robbed of every aspect of their mind that makes them who they are, without a full understanding of the totality of loss from lead exposure from first hand experience with a victim, then it is hard to understand how or why that at the very first suggestions of evidence that this event was occurring it should have been handled with every urgency as a code event in a hospital or a large fire.

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 16, 2015, at 12:47 PM, Laura Stoken <stokenl@michigan.gov> wrote:

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2015 4:50 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Dear [REDACTED]
Maybe the number of defenseless children with lead in their systems decreased because as many as possible MOVED OUT OF FLINT.

Whatever has happened to integrity and honesty in America?
People are not stupid and people cannot be 'spun' with this stupid doublespeak.
This is just not even worth commenting on. You people knew for a long time what was going on.
God only knows what you got in exchange for sacrificing those poor defenseless infants and children.

I hope that all those who aided and abetted in this criminal activity, like assistants and public relations (propaganda) people are also charged and put in jail for a long time - after negligently or intentionally ruining the lives ..L-I-V-E-S .. of innocent children.

Whatever in God's name has happened to human kindness and compassion and doing the right thing?
My question to you is .. how can YOU sleep at night? Shame on all of you. I still feel sick over this.

Most sincerely,
[REDACTED]

From: Laura Stoken <stokenl@michigan.gov>
To: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2015 10:22 AM
Subject: Executive Office of the Governor

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517.335.7858 (o)

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2015 4:56 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Thanks for your reply. I'm highly suspicious of the content of your letter and if those facts are corporate independently. I'll be convinced of his sincerity when Snyder pumps water from the Flint River as his potable water for an entire year and he experiences no ill health effects. Same goes for you. Otherwise, I think you are full of crap!

Sincerely
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

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Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2015 10:21 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

I already know all this. Shame on you for sending a form letter.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, December 20, 2015 10:09 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Laura,
Stop with rationalizations please. Snyder and the city manager need to be in jail.

I've done an in depth study of the facts, and frankly, Snyder is guilty of neglect and deliberately endangering an entire community to save money.

I've changed my mind about saying Snyder should not resign. He should resign, ask for forgiveness from all the people of Flint. And only be allowed access to water from the flint river, and from nowhere else. I'm thoroughly disgusted.

[REDACTED]
Bloomfield Hills, MI

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Quebbeman, Marsha (GOV)
Sent: Monday, December 21, 2015 8:50 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: RE: Lunch Today

I just watched it. Thanks for sharing this with me. Hopefully you can make it. Let me know if you need anything.

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Monday, December 21, 2015 8:10 AM
To: Quebbeman, Marsha (GOV) <quebbemanm@michigan.gov>
Subject: RE: Lunch Today

I'm hoping I can get away today- I am anticipating getting slammed due to the Rachel Maddow (MSNBC) show that ran over the weekend regarding Flint Water....

I'll play it by ear but wanted to give you the heads up....

From: Quebbeman, Marsha (GOV)
Sent: Monday, December 21, 2015 7:45 AM
To: Adamczyk, Lynne (GOV) <adamczykL@michigan.gov>; Hartwell, Helen (GOV) <HartwellH1@michigan.gov>; Manolakoudis, Virginia (GOV) <ManolakoudisV@michigan.gov>; Ball, Melissa (GOV) <BallM3@michigan.gov>; Leigh, Jessica (GOV) <LeighJ1@michigan.gov>; Hamel, Sarah (GOV) <HamelS1@michigan.gov>; Wells, Caitlin (GOV) <WellsC3@michigan.gov>; Beeler, Judi (GOV) <BeelerJ1@michigan.gov>; Anthony, Zachary (GOV) <AnthonyZ@michigan.gov>; Stoken, Laura (GOV) <StokenL@michigan.gov>
Subject: Lunch Today

Reservations are at 11:45 at Bravo's under my name. Looking forward to seeing everyone there.

Marsha

From: Holland, Meegan (GOV)
Sent: Monday, December 21, 2015 11:09 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV); Murray, David (GOV)
Cc: Biehl, Laura (GOV); Heaton, Anna (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint water - Did you see this?

This is a tough one -- all you can do is keep it to the facts. Maddow's and MSNBC's coverage has certainly stirred the pot, but to answer all her inaccuracies would take more time than what you'd want to give. On her EM assertions, however, it's good for your staff to know that Gov. Granholm also appointed emergency managers as a tool to help stabilize distressed cities. In other words, they didn't start with Rick Snyder.

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Monday, December 21, 2015 9:38 AM
To: Murray, David (GOV) <MurrayD1@michigan.gov>
Cc: Holland, Meegan (GOV) <HollandM2@michigan.gov>; Biehl, Laura (GOV) <BiehlL@michigan.gov>; Heaton, Anna (GOV) <HeatonA@michigan.gov>
Subject: RE: Flint water - Did you see this?

Hey Team....

As discussed this weekend I expect a large Constit reaction to the Rachel Maddow show on Flint Water....

Any update or statement from the Governor?

Below is the response we have been sending -- modified on December 7, 2015....

Thanks,

Laura

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{Owner(Constituent Case)}
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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2015 8:41 PM
To: Murray, David (GOV) <MurrayD1@michigan.gov>
Subject: Re: Flint water - Did you see this?

Sounds good- I'm expecting to walk into a high volume Monday morning...

Have a great weekend!!!

Laura

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 19, 2015, at 8:39 PM, Murray, David (GOV) <MurrayD1@michigan.gov> wrote:

Yes. Based on spcial media, I suspect certain groups are being advised to spread it around. We can talk about this on Monday.

Dave Murray

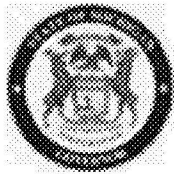
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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)

Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2015 8:37 PM

To: Murray, David (GOV) <MurrayD1@michigan.gov>

Subject: Flint water - Did you see this?

<http://www.msnbc.com/rachel-maddow/watch/toxic-water-tragedy-points-directly-to-snyder-588635715518>

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Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, December 21, 2015 9:04 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Yes, I had already read the data, however perhaps not with the same self-serving slant you are trying to put on it. Here's a question for you: are Rick Snyder's children drinking the same water as the children in Flint? I don't think so. The City Manager idea of Mr. Snyder's for various cities in Michigan has had disastrous effects on this state; the quality of the drinking water in Flint and other people's children that he has poisoned with it is but one example.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2015 8:57 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Watch Rachel Madow tonight for a real update. Then I will write you and see how you and Snyder answer.

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

On Dec 22, 2015, at 5:54 AM, Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov> wrote:

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From:

Sent:

To:

Subject:

Tuesday, December 22, 2015 10:08 AM

Stoken, Laura (GOV)

Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Dear Ms. Stoken,

The Governor's Office is unresponsive to the needs of the citizens of the State of Michigan and is only loyal to his administration which this term has been one of the most self serving that I have seen in my years as a citizen of this state.

That Governor Snyder has not restructured his entire administration at this point and time tells me he is part of the corruption at the highest levels in the state. This is truly a disappointment. As the facts continue to be revealed about the Flint water system, as the Republican administration continues to pass bills that favor their reelection, as the state continues to devolve in every measurement (school scores, poverty, health, well being, and the list goes on), business as usual is not acceptable.

If the Governor thinks the electorate is asleep about these issues, he needs to attend parties thrown by other than his good old boys. I would suggest his office read the "Bridge" magazine to get a more balanced perspective on how he is doing, because at this point the citizens are not going to allow this to continue. I would like to expect a response to this concern, but based on the lack of response to other emails, it is probably wishful thinking. [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

On Oct 13, 2015, at 7:11 PM, [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear Ms. Stoken.

I have been paying close attention to the Flint water issue and continue to be disappointed in the lack of compassion expressed by senior staff of the State of MI. Dan Wyant, MI director of the DEQ was interviewed today on NPR and the lack of compassion was so evident it was sad. The arrogance of this administration will only serve to keep the heat on about this issue. I am embarrassed to say I am from the state of MI.

Below is a quote from an article [REDACTED] regarding Volkswagen and what they will need to do to correct their crisis. You may want to remove "Volkswagen" and put in Michigan and read it that way.

"Jennifer Vickery, CEO, National Strategies Public Relations: "Volkswagen has a long road ahead. With billions of dollars in possible fines and a major tarnish to the brand name for an issue in which the public—particularly millennials—are passionate about, the automaker will need to aggressively communicate during this crisis. This situation has a large impact on many different levels: environmentally, economically, politically—not to mention the potential for class-action lawsuits and more.

“The resignation of Volkswagen’s CEO was a no-brainer. This had to happen. A major problem is the public is unforgiving for lies when it comes to jeopardizing the environment. The U.S. public will tend to forgive and move forward with automotive recalls, correction of issues and deceit. However, when it comes to deception in damaging the environment in a population where there are now more millennials than baby boomers, and millennials making up a large demographic of customers for the brand, VW is in trouble.

“To really fix things, the company is going to have to communicate in a new way. It should break things down, step-by-step, in terms of where they are in the investigation and correction of all internal corruption. It must be as public as possible, even using social media and media airtime purchases, to reach the public.

“Stakeholders may not like this approach. Typically internal boards want to publicly communicate important findings and positive actions only. However, with an issue of this size and of this type of deceit, it is going to really need to communicate more openly than they might want. It needs to comply with the EPA, take action, investigate hard, prosecute harder and be open every step of the way.”



On Thu, Oct 8, 2015 at 11:35 PM, [REDACTED] wrote:
Dear Ms. Stoken,

Thank you for your lengthy and comprehensive response. I watched the news conference today from Flint, led off by the Governor and was disappointed with the matter of fact way this issue is being handled.

First let me say, I voted for Governor Snyder twice. I think he is a good business man and stepped in to the position of governor at a very difficult time with both national and local polarization in government. Governor Snyder eased into his role and did try to "work collaboratively" when there was not support for that approach. As Governor he has tried to even handedly approach issues with objectivity and a measured approach.

Taking Flint off of the Detroit Water System was a bad decision by every measure, and the amount of money it is going to take to correct this problem is staggering, due to the corrosion of pipes, the health of the children, the impact on the community and the loss of faith in government.

Conducting a news conference in such a matter of fact way, with no apologies, no admission this was a bad decision, surrounded by a bunch of men with the same approach was ill advised.

There is a business side of governance and there is the people side of governance. I have no problem with the Governor being a self described nerd, but then he needs to surround himself with some people with a heart, who can speak to the parents of children who are sick with worry about the impact of lead poisoning on their developing children.

As a citizen of this state, I want a working government that puts aside partisan politics and does what is right for the common good. Please share my thoughts with the Governor. Sincerely, [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

On Oct 6, 2015, at 12:27 PM, Laura Stoken <stokenl@michigan.gov> wrote:

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your recent correspondence sent to Governor Rick Snyder regarding the water in Flint. As a member of Governor Snyder's staff, I am responding on his behalf.

Governor Snyder announced a comprehensive action plan created with state, federal and city leaders to address concerns about drinking water. Governor Snyder said "Flint residents need to have access to safe, clean, water now and long into the future." The water leaving Flint's drinking water system is safe to drink, but some families with lead plumbing in their homes or service connections could experience higher levels of lead in the water that comes out of their faucets.

The action plan focuses on increasing water testing, offering additional precautions for families with lead plumbing in their homes, and providing long-term solutions to address the city's water infrastructure challenges. The plan was created at the Governor's direction by the Michigan Departments of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and Health and Human Services (DHHS), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the city of Flint. This action plan builds upon ongoing work with local, state and federal agencies and our partnership with city and community leaders. Together, we are working to ensure that all Flint residents have accurate information and know that help is available to address potential problems.

The city and the state also are working together to gather more data to ensure the water that leaves the treatment plant as well as the water that arrives in Flint homes is safe for all residents. The plan includes:

- Testing in Flint public schools immediately to ensure that drinking water is safe, with testing also available at no cost to any other school in Flint.
- Offering free water testing to Flint residents to assure their drinking water is safe.
- Providing free water filters to residents.
- Expanding health exposure testing of individual homes.
- Accelerating corrosion controls in the Flint drinking water system.
- Accelerating water system improvements to address replacing lead service lines.
- Expediting the completion of the Karegnondi Water Authority pipeline.

- Expanding a Safe Drinking Water Technical Advisory Committee to ensure the best technology, practices and science are being followed by adding an expert from the Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Research and Development to the group.
- Naming Dr. Eden Wells, chief medical executive for the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, as the Flint drinking water public health adviser.
- Boosting a comprehensive lead education program to make sure residents have detailed information about how to protect themselves and their homes.

Residents can have their water tested by calling [810-787-6537](tel:810-787-6537) and pressing 1, or emailing flintwater@cityofflint.com. The DEQ is covering the cost of this testing.

To ensure safe drinking water, the state of Michigan is providing water filters for free. Freewater filters will be available to current Michigan Department of Health and Human Services clients and Flint residents at four locations beginning Tuesday, October 6, at 9 a.m. through a partnership between the MDHHS and the Genesee County Community Action Resource Department. Free National Sanitation Foundation certified water filters are being provided to Flint residents as part of the administration's comprehensive approach to addressing water concerns in the area.

Current MDHHS clients are encouraged to visit either the 125 E. Union St. or 4809 Clio Road MDHHS office location to obtain a free, certified home water filter. Residents who are not currently enrolled in MDHHS assistance programs should visit the Genesee County Community Action Resource Department offices located at 2727 Lippincott and 601 North Saginaw in Flint. Staff will be onsite at all four locations from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, to distribute filters and assist residents who have questions about proper installation.

Please visit Michigan.gov/Flintwater for additional resources.

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 Constituent Relations Division
 Executive Office of the Governor, Rick Snyder
[517.335.7858](tel:517.335.7858) (o)

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2015 10:16 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Dear Laura,

I appreciate you taking time to write an email.

What about the 200,000 people who still do not have water and live in Detroit?? **200,000!**
Isn't water a basic human right?? This is a **BASIC NEED**.
I shocked at the lack of compassion of the current governor.
We are talking about health and water. People could **DIE** without water.

Regarding Flint; shifting water from lake to river was a mistake. Admit it then quickly **FIX** it.
One person with elevated lead is too much.
I hear there is a lawsuit already anyway.
I don't require your statistics, I require **ACTION** to help people.
That is what leaders are supposed to do, **SERVE** the people, **CARE** for the people...
DO what is good, for the WHOLE, not just a few.

Were water filters offered at the jump, when changing water sources?
What kind are they? For the whole house? Skin absorbs things through showers/baths...

The thing to ask yourself....
If I lived in Flint, what would I want for myself, family, and community?
If I lived in Detroit, and that was my situation--water became too expensive--what would I need from my leaders?
Put yourselves in their shoes, and act accordingly.
THAT is being a good leader.

Thanks for listening.

[REDACTED]

--On the Sunlit Path...

Excellent deals on supplements, foods, and personal products

[REDACTED]

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2015 5:24 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Executive Office of the Governor

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Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Dear Ms. Stoken,

Thank you for taking the time to reply to me and information provided. But you did omit to say why this problem occurred in Flint and Government Snyder responsibility in this matter. These are the facts of greatest interest to me.

But his will keep until after Christmas for a reply.....enjoy the holiday.

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2015 12:04 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Dear Ms. Stokes,

Your reply seemed incomplete and inconsistent with what I have read.....so I did more research. I can see from the two fonts in your reply that it is a form obviously sent in reply to any Flint water inquiries.....and far more important, you failed to mention many key facts. So do not bother with another reply as I now understand your words to be politic garbage and most insincere.

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/flint-michigan-water-lead_56784055e4b0b958f657595c

You and the governor should be quite embarrassed.....but I doubt that you will be.

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2015 12:57 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Dear Ms. Stoken--Thank you for your communication. Questions I still have:

- 1) How long after starting to drink clean (non-poisoned, lead-free) water do blood tests no longer show lead. I understand that lead leaches out of the body fairly quickly. And residents/kids have been avoiding Flint water (we hope) ever since flintwaterstudy.org forced the DEQ, DHHS, and Governor's office to face this health emergency openly and warn the citizens of Flin--around Oct. 1.
- 2) Why is the state not helping with vitamin and nutritional supplements for those in the affected areas? That is proven to be the best way to counteract the long-term neuro-cognitive damage in kids.
- 3) Why has not one of the State government employees who lied, delayed, and obfuscated while the damage increased been put on leave or fired? There is a clear record of malfeasance here, both in DHHS and DEQ.

Thank you for taking the time to attend to these concerns. I love our State and want it to do good, not evil!!!

[REDACTED]

On Tue, Dec 22, 2015 at 7:54 AM, Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov> wrote:

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 23, 2015 6:07 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Ms.Stoken:

Is Governor Snyder going to ask the legislature to make emergency funding available to upgrade plumbing in homes in Flint that are the actual source of the lead, and which were corroded by the ill-conceived shift to Flint River water?

[REDACTED]

Father, father, we don't need to escalate.
War is not the answer, 'cause only love can conquer hate. (Marvin Gaye)

"Ai ga areba, heiwa da" to dare ka ga kuchi ni shite ita I've heard it said: "Where there is love, there will peace be also."
(Angela Aki)

Kaze yo! Watashi wa osorenai!
Ai koso mitsukedashita kiseki yo!
(Winds of war! I am not afraid!
Instead, I have discovered the miracle of love!) (Yuho Iwasato)

On Wed, 12/23/15, Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov> wrote:

Subject: Executive Office of the Governor
To: [REDACTED]
Date: Wednesday, December 23, 2015, 4:38 PM

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 23, 2015 8:31 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

After watching Rachel's update it is clear Snyder and the emergency manager should be fired right now. Sure hope the residents of Flint sue the state of Michigan. Hopefully exposing Republicans like Snyder that are out of control.

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

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Sent: Wednesday, December 23, 2015 11:03 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

I'm not interested in your PR response. I want to know what is being done for the victims. I, too, am a "rogue employee" that fights for the health of children everyday. I know all too well the lies that executives and governmental officials will tell to save face and save money; it is pure evil. I want Rick Snyder coming out and telling the public the money and resources he is providing to the affected families, even if it comes from his paycheck directly. His denials are pathetic and apologies will be sickly insufficient. The world is watching and will not let this story slide.

[REDACTED]

On Wed, Dec 16, 2015 at 10:58 AM, Laura Stoken <stokenl@michigan.gov> wrote:

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your recent correspondence sent to Governor Rick Snyder regarding the water in Flint. As a member of Governor Snyder's staff, I am responding on his behalf.

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To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Ms. Stoken,

With all due respect,....blah, blah, blah. Reports out today indicate your boss, Governor Snyder, and his administration, knew of the health crisis unfolding in Flint MONTHS before going public with it. You can spew all of the statistics your boss is feeding you, but it doesn't hide the fact that Snyder, the Emergency Managers, and the rest of his crew, intentionally let the poisoning of Flint residents continue for way longer than it ever should have.

Ms. Stoken, this cover-up must end. As I told you in my first email, there isn't much this Governor has done that I've agreed with. But politics is politics, and I understand what rewards come to those with absolute power. However, this Flint water crisis, while very much political, has a social and human side that even the most crass, uncaring Republican must take responsibility for. Governor Snyder has got to know how the citizens of Michigan feel about this. He must stop covering his rear on this, accept the fact that he is ultimately responsible for this horror, and come clean in spite of what the corporate puppeteers who really run our State government tell him to do.

This is just terrible. And while the actions of this governor never really surprise me anymore, I am disappointed in your canned, non-response to my first email. Shame on you, Ms. Stoken. You are no better than the rest of these people.

Merry Christmas. Hopefully, the people of Flint can do the same.

[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV) (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov>
To: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tue, Dec 22, 2015 8:14 am
Subject: Executive Office of the Governor

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, December 28, 2015 7:26 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

The Governor needs to live up to his rhetoric and take responsibility for the damage that his appointed manager caused in Flint and others did in several other cities. He has continually signed legislation he said he would not and turning back progress in Michigan to pander to politicians who have no respect for him, their offices or the citizens of Michigan. Children and other residents of Flint were harmed and it will take more than whitewash to repair the environment and their health. It is shameful that he is trying to walk away from the havoc his policies have caused and continue to cause.

[REDACTED]

On Sunday, December 27, 2015 9:31 PM, "Stoken, Laura (GOV)" <StokenL@michigan.gov> wrote:

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, December 28, 2015 8:51 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

So is that all the governor is going to do? Give free water and filters? Too little too late. Not enough.

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV) on behalf of Agen, Jarrod (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, December 29, 2015 2:03 PM
To: Executive Office All
Subject: Changes in Administration

Team,

As you are aware, we have been working closely with the independent task force that has been reviewing state, local and federal actions regarding the serious health issues related to water in Flint.

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Sincerely,

Jarrod Agen

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, January 02, 2016 12:24 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Thanks for your reply. If I understand correctly- you are describing a 2.3% increase in the third quarter from 2013 to 2014. Exactly how many children would that be if the 2.3% number is correct? It is misleading to deal in percentages-- we are talking about individual children -- real people with real futures that have been severely negatively impacted by this governmental misconduct. I don't appreciate the use of misleading statistics to steer us away from this fact! -- [REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, January 03, 2016 2:04 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Dear Governor Snyder,

On December 29, your office issued a statement concerning the Flint Water debacle. In the statement, you accepted the resignation of the MDEQ director. And you issued something resembling an apology.

It seems to me that you came close to but in several important ways did not succeed in beginning to rectify this wrong.

First, under Mr. Wyant's watch, the MDEQ was responsible not for a mere mistake but for a catastrophic failure of leadership. When a leader is responsible for such extraordinary negligence, I'm afraid he doesn't receive the courtesy of a resignation, he needs to be fired.

Second, your "apology" seems to have been quite obviously written by lawyers intent on obfuscating the truth. To say that you are "very sorry that this has happened" fails to acknowledge the most important part of a real apology: responsibility. Writing an apology in passive form is a child's trick, that you, as a parent, should be able to sniff out in a minute. You could have released this "apology" the moment you heard about this debacle. In fact, any person with a conscience could have written this "apology" the moment they learned of the Flint Water Debacle. But you are not just any person. You are the chief executive of this state. Yet even after learning that your MDEQ Director failed catastrophically in his job, you say nothing of your responsibility as chief executive.

Mr. Snyder, the MDEQ functions under your oversight. You're the boss. It is seldom politically convenient to accept responsibility. But it is immoral, in your case, not to accept responsibility.

I remain convinced that if this had happened in a white, affluent, politically powerful community, none of this current obfuscation would be accepted. You would have resigned or been impeached; all executives at MDEQ would have been fired, and the state, with no assistance from private foundations, would have assumed the cost of correcting this problem. In that sense, you are lucky the long-term victims of this debacle are poor black children whose elevated lead levels will likely lead to future aggressive behavior. Most of the people most directly impacted by your government's failure will be imprisoned and consequently unable to effect future political change. Of course, you know, because of your familiarity with the research on lead exposure, that this last sentence is not hyperbole.

I had previously appreciated some of your approach and leadership as governor. But your response to the Flint Water debacle is not just a leadership failure, it is now a moral failure.

I repeat my insistence that you publicly accept your responsibility as chief executive of this debacle and that you resign immediately.

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Flint families and children will be better protected by reconnecting with the GreatLakes Water Authority as the source of the city's drinking water until the Karegnondi Water Authority pipeline is completed. Governor Snyder has asked the state Legislature to provide half, or \$6 million, of the \$12 million needed to reconnect with the authority through next summer, when the KWA is expected to be completed. The Flint city government will provide \$2 million and the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation has committed \$4 million.

Governor Snyder said "Flint residents need to have access to safe, clean, water now and long into the future." The technical experts helping the city on its water advisory all agree this move back to the Great Lakes Water Authority provides the best public health protection for children and families. The Governor appreciates Detroit's willingness to reconnect with Flint, the Mott Foundation's generous commitment, and the dedication of all parties to come together to protect Flint families and children. Flint city leaders requested the state's help to fund the reconnection and to assist with health and infrastructure issues. Flint's move to the Great Lakes Water Authority is expected to cost about \$1.3 million per month until the Karegnondi Water Authority is completed next summer.

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Please let me know, so I can (hopefully) correct the record with my friends...

God bless --

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, January 04, 2016 9:13 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

To : Laura Stoken

Thank you for your timely response to me e-mail
I wanted to know what the care/treatment will edit those affected by the Flint water lead contaminates

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 23, 2015, at 9:21 AM, Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov> wrote:

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517.335.7858 (o)

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, January 05, 2016 12:51 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Laura,

I am so thoroughly disgusted at gov Snyder's behavior in this matter.
I support the flint journal's stand and we need an open transparent investigation.

Governor Snyder should resign soon. We need a federal takeover of the Snyder administration. All the excuse and BS "data " provided by Snyder's office is bogus and not to be believed.

Before even thinking of using flint river water, don't you think that a thorough environmental assessment of this would have been conducted?

On the surface, I would not even have considered removing flint from Detroit city water, knowing the industrial history of the flint river.

In my estimation, this decision has the equivalency of a war crime.

Best your administration can do now, before Snyder resigns, at the very least, is to provide these citizens a water supply as clean as that of city of Detroit water. I presume the bill will be over 100 \$ M. Was it worth it? Another short sighted bonehead move proving republicans are NEVER fit to lead.

In disgust

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 20, 2015, at 10:08 AM, [REDACTED] wrote:

Laura,
Stop with rationalizations please. Snyder and the city manager need to be in jail.

I've done an in depth study of the facts, and frankly, Snyder is guilty of neglect and deliberately endangering an entire community to save money.

I've changed my mind about saying Snyder should not resign. He should resign, ask for forgiveness from all the people of Flint. And only be allowed access to water from the flint river, and from nowhere else. I'm thoroughly disgusted.

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 16, 2015, at 1:51 PM, Laura Stoken <stokenl@michigan.gov> wrote:

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Thank you for the personal reply. However, your response did not address my concerns about how the Snyder administration handled the problem when it was reported early that children were being poisoned by lead and the person appointed by Gov. Snyder knew about the concerns but did not want to switch back to the Detroit water system. I think that it is time for Gov. Snyder to release ALL documents related to this problem because there might be a criminal case to be made how this was handled. It is unfortunate that the children of Flint were exposed to lead when it could have been avoided very early if the city manager appointed by Snyder had listed to the elected officials of Flint. This was a travesty of justice. I hope that Gov. Snyder will be man enough to own up to his failures and be sure that those who caused the problem are punished. It is about time that the Lansing government quit interfering with the rights of the local governments.

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[REDACTED]

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From: Biehl, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, January 05, 2016 4:06 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: Press release going out shortly (probably 4:30)

Governor Rick Snyder
REINVENTING MICHIGAN
Getting It Right. Getting It Done.

News Release

Contacts: Dave Murray
517-335-6397

Ron Leix, MSP/EMHSD
517-336-6464

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Tuesday, January 5, 2016

Gov. Snyder declares emergency for Genesee County

State Emergency Operations Center activated to assist with relief efforts

LANSING, Mich. – Gov. Rick Snyder today declared a state of emergency for Genesee County due to the ongoing health and safety issues caused by lead in the city of Flint's drinking water.

By declaring a state of emergency, Snyder has made available all state resources in cooperation with local response and recovery operations. The declaration authorizes the Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division (MSP/EMHSD) to coordinate state efforts.

"The health and welfare of Flint residents is a top priority and we're committed to a coordinated approach with resources from state agencies to address all aspects of this situation," Snyder said. "Working in full partnership with the Flint Water Advisory Task Force, all levels of government and water quality experts, we will find both short-term and long-term solutions to ensure the health and safety of Flint residents."

In addition to the emergency declaration, Snyder activated the State Emergency Operations Center to coordinate state response and recovery activities. State agencies will report to the center to coordinate resources, assess the situation and begin providing assets to assist with local relief operations.

"Our staff recognizes the urgency of this situation and is already working closely with local officials," said Capt. Chris A. Kelenske, Deputy State Director of Emergency Management and Homeland Security and commander of the MSP/EMHSD. "We will continue to collaborate with state, city and county leaders to coordinate relief efforts, streamline communication and use all

available resources to help residents.”

On Jan. 4, Genesee County declared a “local state of emergency,” which activated local emergency response and recovery plans. By requesting a governor’s declaration, the county has determined local resources are insufficient to address the situation and state assistance is required to protect public health, safety and property to lessen or avert the threat of a crisis.

The city of Flint has been under a local emergency declaration since Dec. 14, 2015.

The SEOC is the emergency operations center for the state of Michigan. Located in Lansing, the center is overseen by the MSP/EMHSD and coordinates response and recovery efforts by state agencies and local government. The SEOC is staffed by members of state agencies and other partners for decision making and information coordination during disasters or emergencies in the state of Michigan.

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News Release

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, January 05, 2016 8:19 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Subject: RE: Executive Office of the Governor

Laura,

Thank you for your reply and I now see there is a state of emergency declared by the Governor. The children will be forever impacted and we must ask, how could this have been avoided? I feel confident the Governor will be required to answer this himself in the future.

Regards,
[REDACTED]

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV) [<mailto:Stokenl@michigan.gov>]
Sent: Monday, December 21, 2015 4:48 PM
To: [REDACTED]
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Sent: Monday, September 28, 2015 8:43 AM
To: Kennedy, Jordan (GOV)
Subject: flint water

Good morning dear,

Hope you had a great weekend!!

Do you have flint water talking points by any chance?

Thanks,

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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
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That sounds great!! Drive safe!!!

Laura

From: Kennedy, Jordan (GOV)
Sent: Monday, September 28, 2015 8:48 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov>
Subject: Re: flint water

Hey Laura, I did have a great weekend, hope you did as well!

I am actually on the road today for work and won't be in the office until early afternoon. If you don't need these ASAP I can work to get them to you as soon as I return to the office.

Thanks,
Jordan

Sent from my iPhone

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Subject: Flint Water

There is also a category for Flint water

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A category and workflow response has been created in CRM

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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2015 10:34 AM
To: Byrd, John (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint Water

Not yet....

From: Byrd, John (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2015 10:31 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov>
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..but no water flow? ...oops, workflow? ;)

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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2015 7:53 AM
To: Kica, Beata (GOV)
Subject: RE: Tribute Request for Pastor Overton

Go ahead on this!!!

From: Kica, Beata (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2015 9:38 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov>
Subject: Tribute Request for Pastor Overton

Hi Laura,

Attached is a tribute request we received recognizing Pastor Allen Overton on his years of service.

When I did a search on him he is quoted in these recent articles commenting on the State's/Governor's involvement in the delivery of water filters to Flint. See below.

http://www.mlive.com/news/flint/index.ssf/2015/09/state_assured_flint_water_was.html

<http://michiganradio.org/post/anger-over-flints-water-woes-reaching-boiling-point#stream/0>

Please see both articles. Wanted to know your thoughts on this and how to proceed with this tribute request.

Thanks,
Beata

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2015 2:56 PM
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Subject: FLINT WATER : New form letter- proposed below

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This action plan offers concrete steps we will take in a local, state and federal partnership to ensure all Flint residents have safe water to drink. The DEQ will work closely with the city to gather further data to ensure the water that leaves Flint's system as well as the water that arrives in Flint homes is safe to drink.

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Sincerely,

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Executive Office of the Governor, Rick Snyder
517.335.7858

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2015 4:32 PM
To: Byrd, John (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint water response

Thanks for taking the initiative ☺

From: Byrd, John (GOV)
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2015 4:31 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov>
Subject: Flint water response

Good afternoon:

How about this:

Dear Name Here:

Thank you for your email regarding the issue with Flint's drinking water supply. The Governor has asked me to respond on his behalf. He believes it is important to listen to our constituents and I appreciate the time you took to comment.

The Governor announced a 10 point action plan created with state, federal and city leaders to address concerns about Flint's drinking water. To find out more, please use the following link to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for Flint's Drinking Water Action Plan:

http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,4561,7-135-3313_3675_73946-____,00.html

Again, thank you for contacting our office. Please let me know if I can be of assistance in any State of Michigan related issue.

Sincerely,

John D. Byrd II
Constituent Relations
517-335-7858

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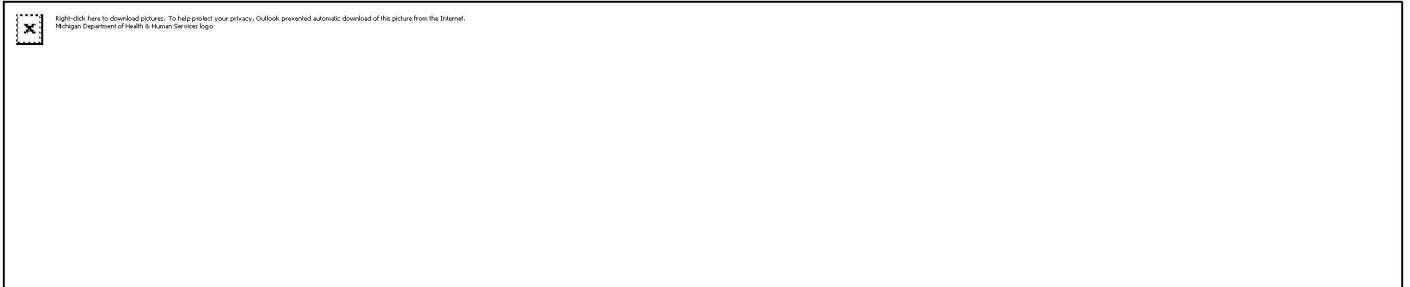


From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 10:52 AM
To: Wurfel, Sara (GOV)
Subject: RE: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Water filters available for MDHHS clients, all Flint residents beginning Tuesday

Thank you!!!

From: Wurfel, Sara (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 10:51 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov>
Subject: FW: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Water filters available for MDHHS clients, all Flint residents beginning Tuesday
Importance: High

From: Michigan Department of Health and Human Services [<mailto:MDHHS@govsubscriptions.michigan.gov>]
Sent: Monday, October 05, 2015 4:09 PM
To: Lasher, GERALYN (DHHS) <lasherg@michigan.gov>
Subject: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Water filters available for MDHHS clients, all Flint residents beginning Tuesday



Press Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: October 5, 2015

CONTACT: Jennifer Eisner, (517) 241-2112

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“Ensuring that families in the Flint area have access to resources that will help reduce the potential for lead exposure is our top priority,” said Nick Lyon, director of the MDHHS. “I want to thank our partners who have mobilized to make water filters available – a point that highlights the importance of continued collaboration at the local, state and federal level as we move forward.”

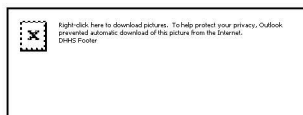
MDHHS clients in the city of Flint who are active Family Independence Program (FIP), Food Assistance Program (FAP), Child Development and Care (CDC), State Disability Assistance (SDA), or Social Security Insurance (SSI) recipients should bring valid identification and a copy of their water bill to their local MDHHS office to receive their filter free of charge. Flint residents who are not active MDHHS clients should bring identification and their water bill to the GCCARD location.

Although blood lead levels throughout the city of Flint have remained steady, last week, MDHHS data was found to be consistent with a recent Hurley Children’s Hospital study indicating increased blood lead levels in children residing in two Flint ZIP codes after a 2014 change in water source. While lead paint remains the number one cause of lead poisoning in Michigan, the recent data prompted MDHHS to take action to reduce potential lead exposures through water sources.

MDHHS is urging parents in Flint and throughout the state to do their part in preventing elevated blood lead levels in children. For more information about steps you can take now, visit www.michigan.gov/lead, or contact your local health department. For updates on Flint water and available resources, visit www.michigan.gov/flintwater.

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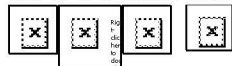
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Please feel free to use the Flint Water workflow as you see fit.

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Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 4:12 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Executive Office of Governor Rick Snyder

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your recent correspondence sent to Governor Rick Snyder regarding red light cameras and the water in Flint. As a member of Governor Snyder's staff, I am responding on his behalf.

In order to make a change regarding red light cameras, the Michigan Vehicle Code would need to be amended. The code currently requires that a police officer witness the violation in order to issue a citation (MCL 257.742). Citations cannot be issued by machine. Bills have been introduced in the legislature in the past, but none of them have made their way to the Governor. I would encourage you to continue contacting your state legislators, as any requests for a change in or creation of state laws must be made through the legislative process. Article IV, Section 22 of the *Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963*, as amended, states that "all legislation shall be by bill and may originate in either house." In the state of Michigan, the Governor does not have the ability to introduce legislation. If a bill is passed by both houses in identical form, the bill is enrolled and sent to Governor Snyder's desk for consideration. Governor Snyder would have 14 days to make a decision on such legislation. Please know that should any legislation make it to his desk he will keep your comments close at hand.

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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2015 9:56 AM
To: Byrd, John (GOV); Kras, Jason (GOV); Robinson, Judy (GOV); Kica, Beata (GOV)
Subject: Flint Water- live stream 10am

Importance: High

<http://www.michigan.gov/snyder/0,4668,7-277-60112-268720--,00.html>

Please watch!!!!

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To: Murray, David (GOV); Wurfel, Sara (GOV)
Cc: Kennedy, Jordan (GOV); Agen, Jarrod (GOV); Biehl, Laura (GOV); Heaton, Anna (GOV)
Subject: Flint Water- talking Points

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Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2015 10:10 AM
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Subject: RE: Flint Water- talking Points

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From: Biehl, Laura (GOV)
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Here's the press release that will be issued after the press conference ends.

This should cover what you need.

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Cc: Weir, Elizabeth (GOV); Spagnuolo, Sophia (GOV); Nelson, Christine (GOV)
Subject: FW: Flint Water- talking Points
Attachments: 151008 Flint water release_FINAL.docx

Talking Points:

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4. Flint city leaders requested the state's help to fund the reconnection and to assist with health and infrastructure issues. Flint's move to the Great Lakes Water Authority is expected to cost about \$1.3 million per month until the Karegnondi Water Authority is completed next summer.
5. The move to Detroit water, which is expected to carry, carries many public health benefits. As large bodies of water, the Great Lakes are naturally prone to fewer problems from large rain events and other runoff issues that can sometimes be present in shallower rivers. Additionally, the Great Lakes Water Authority water already has additional corrosion control, using phosphates to help coat the insides of pipes and limit lead from leaching into the water.
6. However, reconnecting with the authority will not completely resolve the city's problem with lead service lines or aging infrastructure. It will take time for pipes in Flint to become coated with the phosphate corrosion control. Additionally, some households in the city could experience lead in their drinking water until all lead pipes and plumbing are replaced.
7. Reconnecting to Detroit is the fastest way to deliver clean, safe water to Flint and stabilize the infrastructure system
8. To best protect public health, Snyder said state and local authorities will continue to carry out steps outlined on Oct. 2 in a comprehensive action plan, including continued testing, the use of faucet filters and providing residents with accurate information about steps to eliminate lead exposure. The Michigan Departments of Environmental Quality and Health and Human Services today also committed an additional \$3.5 million for water filters, free lead testing through the state laboratory for Flint water customers, and hiring additional staff to conduct health exposure monitoring for lead in drinking water.
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10. Other good practices for residents concerned about lead include turning on the cold water tap and running the water until it's as cold as it will go. Additionally, only use cold water for cooking, drinking and especially mixing baby formula.

School test results released; more investigation planned

The state today also released the first results from its lead screening program in schools and homes. Of 37 total samples taken at 13 buildings, four samples spread over three buildings exceeded the federal action level of 15 parts per billion.

However, this sampling provides only an initial screen, and the state is committing to further testing water and inspecting plumbing at these schools. Until testing is complete, schools are advised to continue using bottled water and filtration as a precaution to protect children.

In addition, free testing is still available for any other Flint school, including daycares and Head Starts. Free testing is also available for any Flint resident.

Additional information, including more detailed lead screening results, is available at www.michigan.gov/flintwater.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Thursday, Oct. 8, 2015

Gov. Rick Snyder: Move back to Detroit water provides best protection for public health in Flint

State, city, Mott Foundation, join to fund switch until KWA is ready

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Here's some talking points from yesterday. It includes info on how, where and when to get filters. It also gives a little bit of info on the school testing results.

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Attached talking points updated to include info re: extended hours for water filter distribution, school testing results, NSF filter certification.

Thank you,

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Blood Lead Levels in Flint Talking Points

October 7, 2015

Water Filters

- Our first action item is to work closely with our public and private partners to provide water filters to Flint residents and MDHHS clients.
- To meet this priority, the governor identified one million dollars in state funding to purchase water filters for Flint residents.
- The Brita SAFF-100 filters being distributed by the department and GCCARD do meet the NSF/ANSI 53 standards for drinking water treatment units.
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- Free water filters are available to current Michigan Department of Health and Human Services clients and Flint residents who are on the Flint water system at four locations:
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- This funding will support active Family Independence Program (FIP), Food Assistance Program (FAP), Child Development and Care (CDC), State Disability Assistance (SDA), State Disability Assistance (SDA), or Social Security Insurance (SSI) recipients so that they can obtain filters that are National Sanitation Foundation (NSF) certified to remove lead and ANSI Standard 53.
- MDHHS currently serves approximately 25,000 households in Flint.

School Testing and Results

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- Schools on the Flint water system should continue using filtered or bottled water to protect against potential lead exposure.

Background Information

- Initial analysis of MDHHS data found that blood lead levels (BLLs) of children in Flint have followed an expected seasonal trend; due to small numbers further analysis was initiated.
- While this analysis of blood lead levels in Flint as a whole remains true, after a comprehensive and detailed review down to the zip code level, we have found that the state analysis is consistent with that presented by Hurley.
- Director Lyon is working closely with DEQ and the administration to take active steps to reduce all potential lead exposures in Flint, and across the state.
- Our Chief Medical Executive has been in communication with the lead investigator at Hurley Children's Hospital, and we continue to work with Hurley, the city of Flint, local and state leaders to verify and analyze data trends.
- Zip code-level data does show that there has been an increase in elevated childhood blood lead levels in specific communities.
 - This does not conclusively mean that the water source change is the sole cause of the increase, but data does show an association.
 - There is an increased proportion of children with elevated Blood Levels (ELBs) in several zip codes, particularly 03 and 04. These appear to have increased over the last 1.5 years.
 - Lead exposure can occur from a number of different sources (such as paint, gasoline, solder, and consumer products) and through different pathways (such as air, food, water, dust, and soil).
 - Although there are several exposure sources, lead-based paint is still the most widespread and dangerous high-dose source of lead exposure for young children in the US and Michigan.
- We reviewed MDHHS statewide data using the same methodology used by Hurley, looking at our numbers by zip code and age ranges, and filtering out non-Flint children.
- Routine surveillance of blood lead levels does not analyze data down to the zip code level. Detailed analysis like this occurs when there is reason to focus in on precise locations or populations.

- MDHHS is working closely with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Hurley Children's Hospital, the Genesee County Health Department, and community organizations to initiate further action steps.
- We understand that cost may be a barrier to following the recommendations for drinking water, which is why NSF certified filters are being distributed to residents on the Flint water system free of charge.
- MDHHS is recommending that residents follow the Public Health Advisory issued by the Genesee County Health Department, as well as take further steps to reduce exposures to all forms of lead in and around their homes.

MDHHS Stats and Facts

- 'High Risk' Zip codes (48503 and 48504)
 - Blood lead level rates among children under six years of age in the high risk zip codes (48503, 48504) were 2.7 times higher than the rest of Genesee County before the switch to Flint River Water.
 - After the switch to Flint River Water, rates in the high risk Zip codes were 3.2 times that of the rest of Genesee County.
- Other Zip codes in Flint
 - Rates of elevated blood lead levels among children under six years of age in other parts of the city of Flint were 2 times that of the rest of Genesee County before the switch to Flint River Water.
 - The magnitude of the elevated rate remained roughly the same during the period after the water source switch.
- Lead abatement through MDHHS was federally funded up until FY14 when Michigan began providing additional funds to abate homes.
- In FY14, \$1.25M General Fund was added. In FY15, General Fund was bumped up to \$1.75M and FY16, General Fund remains at \$1.75M.

Reducing and Removing Lead Exposure

- In housing built before 1978, it can be assumed that the paint has lead unless tests show otherwise.
- Make sure your child does not have access to peeling paint or chewable surfaces painted with lead-based paint.
- Children and pregnant women should not be present in housing built before 1978 that is undergoing renovation. They should not participate in activities that disturb old paint or in cleaning up paint debris after work is completed.
- Create barriers between living/play areas and lead sources. Until environmental clean-up is completed, you should clean and isolate all sources of lead.
 - Close and lock doors to keep children away from chipping or peeling paint on walls. You can also apply temporary barriers such as contact paper or duct tape, to cover holes in walls or to block children's access to other sources of lead.

- Regularly wash children's hands and toys. Hands and toys can become contaminated from household dust or exterior soil. Both are known lead sources.
- Regularly wet-mop floors and wet-wipe window components. Because household dust is a major source of lead, you should wet-mop floors and wet-wipe horizontal surfaces every 2-3 weeks.
 - Windowsills and wells can contain high levels of leaded dust. They should be kept clean. If feasible, windows should be shut to prevent abrasion of painted surfaces or opened from the top sash.
- Take off shoes when entering the house to prevent bringing lead-contaminated soil in from outside.
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 - Until the bare soil is covered, move play areas away from bare soil and away from the sides of the house. If you have a sandbox, cover the box when not in use to prevent cats from using it as a litter box. That will help protect children from exposure to animal waste.
- Avoid using makeup, containers, cookware, or tableware to store or cook foods or liquids that are not shown to be lead free.
- Remove recalled toys and toy jewelry immediately from children.
- Use only cold water from the tap for drinking, cooking, and making baby formula. Hot water is more likely to contain higher levels of lead. Most of the lead in household water usually comes from the plumbing in your house, not from the local water supply.
- Shower and change clothes after finishing a task that involves working with lead-based products such as stained glass, making bullets, or using a firing range.

WIC Children

- There are 855 infants participating in WIC in Flint.
- We are working with partners at the United Way to ensure that WIC families have access to water filters and bottled water.
- In homes with infants on WIC, if the household has documentation from an official source of unsanitary water supply issues, that family may be eligible to receive ready-to-feed formula. Families should contact WIC to see if they are eligible.
- Each household would have to be looked at on an individual basis.
- WIC cannot cover bottled water.

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 1:24 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Executive Office of Governors Office

Dear [REDACTED]

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Governor Snyder announced a comprehensive action plan created with state, federal and city leaders to address concerns about drinking water. Governor Snyder said "Flint residents need to have access to safe, clean, water now and long into the future." The water leaving Flint's drinking water system is safe to drink, but some families with lead plumbing in their homes or service connections could experience higher levels of lead in the water that comes out of their faucets.

The action plan focuses on increasing water testing, offering additional precautions for families with lead plumbing in their homes, and providing long-term solutions to address the city's water infrastructure challenges. The plan was created at the Governor's direction by the Michigan Departments of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and Health and Human Services (DHHS), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the city of Flint. This action plan builds upon ongoing work with local, state and federal agencies and our partnership with city and community leaders. Together, we are working to ensure that all Flint residents have accurate information and know that help is available to address potential problems.

The city and the state also are working together to gather more data to ensure the water that leaves the treatment plant as well as the water that arrives in Flint homes is safe for all residents. The plan includes:

- Testing in Flint public schools immediately to ensure that drinking water is safe, with testing also available at no cost to any other school in Flint.
- Offering free water testing to Flint residents to assure their drinking water is safe.
- Providing free water filters to residents.
- Expanding health exposure testing of individual homes.
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- Accelerating water system improvements to address replacing lead service lines.
- Expediting the completion of the Karegnondi Water Authority pipeline.
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- Naming Dr. Eden Wells, chief medical executive for the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, as the Flint drinking water public health adviser.
- Boosting a comprehensive lead education program to make sure residents have detailed information about how to protect themselves and their homes.

Residents can have their water tested by calling 810-787-6537 and pressing 1, or emailing flintwater@cityofflint.com. The DEQ is covering the cost of this testing.

To ensure safe drinking water, the state of Michigan is providing water filters for free. Free water filters will be available to current Michigan Department of Health and Human Services clients and Flint residents at four locations beginning Tuesday, October 6, at 9 a.m. through a partnership between the MDHHS and the Genesee County Community Action Resource Department. Free National Sanitation Foundation certified water filters are being provided to Flint residents as part of the administration's comprehensive approach to addressing water concerns in the area.

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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 2:20 PM
To: Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ)
Cc: Shaler, Karen (DEQ)
Subject: RE: FLINT WATER : New form letter- questions

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Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 1:41 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov>
Cc: Shaler, Karen (DEQ) <SHALERK@michigan.gov>; Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ) <THELENM2@michigan.gov>
Subject: RE: FLINT WATER : New form letter- questions

Hi Laura,
Can you please send me a copy of your final version that you are sending out to constituents? Thanks.

Mary Beth

Mary Beth Thelen
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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2015 10:51 AM
To: Wurfel, Sara (GOV); Murray, David (GOV); Tommasulo, Karen (DEQ); Wurfel, Brad (DEQ)
Cc: Kennedy, Jordan (GOV); Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ)
Subject: FLINT WATER : New form letter- questions

Hi Team,

Please see below the proposed Flint Water form letter....

For our knowledge/ not the letter:

If someone can give me information on the initial switch that would be helpful- when, why.

Also, the action timeline from when the state found out about the lead, up to today.

Let me know if we are good to go on the letter.

Thank you,

Laura

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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Friday, October 16, 2015 8:55 AM
To: Adler, Ari (GOV)
Subject: RE: Lead Poisoning Proc

Haha----- That's exactly what I said when Beata brought it to me.... just NOOOOO

But, I didn't know if Comms wanted to turn it around for something else.... Thanks for responding!!!

From: Adler, Ari (GOV)
Sent: Friday, October 16, 2015 8:52 AM
To: Murray, David (GOV) <MurrayD1@michigan.gov>; Wurfel, Sara (GOV) <Wurfels@michigan.gov>; Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov>
Cc: Brownfield, Michael (GOV) <BrownfieldM2@michigan.gov>
Subject: RE: Lead Poisoning Proc

NO

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Ari B. Adler
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On Fri, Oct 16, 2015 at 5:34 AM -0700, "Stoken, Laura (GOV)" <Stokenl@michigan.gov> wrote:

Hey There,

MDHHS requested on September 18th the Governor to issue a proclamation for Lead Poisoning Awareness Prevention and Prevention Week (October 25 -- October 31). Given recent events I am not sure this is something we want to be issuing.

We did issue this proclamation in 2012 and 2014.

I am going to decline the proclamation unless you think this is something we should be doing.

Thanks,

Laura

From: Kica, Beata (GOV)
Sent: Friday, October 16, 2015 8:20 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov>
Subject: Lead Poisoning Proc

Hi Laura,

Received an email this morning from Janice Berry at MDHHS checking in on a proclamation they requested on Sept. 18th for Lead Poisoning Awareness and Prevention month. It was sent to the tributes email but it doesn't look like any follow up happened with it. We do have a copy of a proc we did for this last year. I could put it together quickly, but am not sure with recent events what your take on this is.

Thanks!

Beata

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Friday, October 16, 2015 3:35 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Executive Office of the Governor

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your recent correspondence to Governor Rick Snyder's office. As a member of Governor Snyder's staff, please accept this response on his behalf.

My apologies if you feel I have not directly answered your questions. As the Manager of the Governor's Constituent Relations office I will log your correspondence into our tracking system which the Governor has access to daily. Since your questions are really calls to action there is no response I am able to directly provide other than my assurance your comments will be passed along.

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Thank you for contacting our office, and please do not hesitate to call on us if there is anything we can be doing for you.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, October 16, 2015 12:19 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov>
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Ms. Stoken,

I appreciate your sincere response. I'm not surprised to hear a Gov. Snyder representative speak about action steps in the future. This is good.

However, I am not satisfied with your response. I am seriously concerned that neither the Governor nor the DEQ have accepted responsibility for any wrong-doing in this case. The state doesn't just need better outcomes in the future (though I'm glad you are committed to better outcomes). The state needs its decision makers to be held accountable for mistakes, especially when those mistakes contribute to long-term and serious health consequences for our state's most vulnerable citizens.

I will restate and I ask for a response to the following expectations:

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There must be serious consequences for this kind of government malfeasance. The haste with which the legislature and the governor have acted to remedy this situation are commendable on the one hand, but also suggest that you all have realized how badly this got messed up under your watch and oversight. And I can only imagine you want this unfortunate situation to go away. But to sweep past mistakes under the rug would only add injustice to injustice.

If this happened in Ann Arbor or East Grand Rapids or any number of other wealthier communities in our state, the consequences for Gov. Snyder and the DEQ would be drastic. I trust that there is not a double standard in our state, and that the citizens of Flint will receive some measure of justice for the wrong committed against them and their children.

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Respectfully,



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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2015 3:22 PM
To: GOVConnect
Subject: Gov Connect- Constits

Last Week's Incoming Correspondence – Top Five Topics:

1. Natural Gas
2. Support or Oppose Senate Bill 442 <http://legislature.mi.gov/documents/2015-2016/billanalysis/Senate/pdf/2015-SFA-0442-F.pdf>
3. Fracking
4. DHHS
5. Flint Water

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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 11:40 AM
To: Robinson, Judy (GOV)
Cc: Biehl, Laura (GOV)
Subject: RE: water

Importance: High

Judy can you still go today? See below:

From: Biehl, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 11:39 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov>
Subject: RE: water

The Chamber said that Judy can come anytime. Just give me an estimated time and I'll let them know.

The address is 519 S Saginaw St., Flint, MI 48502

They said they have a loading dock behind the building where the water can be unloaded.

Our contact at the chamber is Brian Larkin- 810-210-2607

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2015 4:23 PM
To: Adamczyk, Lynne (GOV); Wisniewski, Wendy (GOV)
Subject: FW: State Portion of Flint Water Reconnection
Attachments: Treasury Letter.pdf

This came into the Governor's public facing account- I assume it's taken care since DM is on it.....

From: Workman, Wayne (TREASURY)
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2015 3:47 PM
To: Saxton, Thomas (Treasury) <SaxtonT@michigan.gov>
Cc: Khouri, Nick (TREASURY) <KhouriN@michigan.gov>; GovernorsOffice <GovernorsOffice@michigan.gov>; Muchmore, Dennis (GOV) <muchmored@michigan.gov>; nhenderson@cityofflint.com; Stanton, Terry A. (Treasury) <StantonT@michigan.gov>; Ryan, Howard (Treasury) <RyanH1@michigan.gov>
Subject: Re: State Portion of Flint Water Reconnection

He is calling me at 4:00 and I will fill him in

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 22, 2015, at 3:43 PM, Rep. Sheldon Neeley (District 34) <SheldonNeeley@house.mi.gov> wrote:

Please see attached letter. Thanks for your cooperation.

Sheldon

<Treasury Letter.pdf>



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October 22, 2015

Department of the Treasury
State of Michigan

Dear Treasurer Nick A. Khouri,

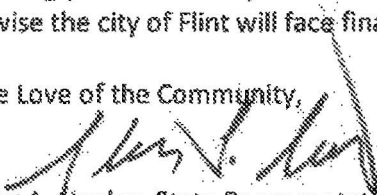
I write to you today concerning a serious matter involving the city of Flint and its switch to the Detroit water system.

Flint prepaid an escrow account of \$10 million for the switch and the state was obligated to significantly assist in this payment. The Detroit Water Authority required this set-up prior to restoration of the water service to Flint. As a result, the city has expended substantial resources beyond their commitment in order to activate restoration of service.

Furthermore, the Ruth Mott Foundation will not release their supplemental funds because they subscribe to the plan of release for state funds.

I am asking you and the Department of the Treasury to release the remaining agreed upon funds, otherwise the city of Flint will face financial hardships even more disastrous than it has previously seen.

For the Love of the Community,


Sheldon A. Neeley, State Representative
34th District

CC: Governor Rick Snyder
Dennis Muchmore
Wayne Workman
Natasha Henderson



From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 1:09 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Executive Office of the Governor

Hi [REDACTED],

I have included a link to Flashpoint from Sunday so you would be able to watch again for clarity on what the Governor did say.

<http://www.clickondetroit.com/news/politics/flashpoint/flashpoint-gov-snyder-talks-dps-plan-poverty-in-detroit/36038532>

Thank you,

Laura

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 12:51 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov>
Subject: Re: Executive Office of the Governor

Dear Laura,

Thank you for your reply. I'm very glad that all that can be done at this point, for the children of Flint, is being done.

I read your letter carefully and there is no explanation of the Governor's comment (on Flashpoint last Sunday) that the Flint water problem was caused by a vote of the Detroit City Council.

This really puzzled me. I even relistened and indeed that's what he said. "Actually a vote of Detroit City Council that made the decision to leave Detroit sewer and water"

Did he misspeak?

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

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Laura Stoken
Constituent Relations Division
Executive Office of the Governor, Rick Snyder
517.335.7858 (o)

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2015 8:23 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Flint water problems

I'm not sure why you did not receive my e-mail below but I did respond on October 27 at 1:09pm.

Please advise if you received this e-mail.

Thank you,

Laura

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 1:09 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Executive Office of the Governor

Hi [REDACTED]

I have included a link to Flashpoint from Sunday so you would be able to watch again for clarity on what the Governor did say.

<http://www.clickondetroit.com/news/politics/flashpoint/flashpoint-gov-snyder-talks-dps-plan-poverty-in-detroit/36038532>

Thank you,

Laura

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2015 6:12 PM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov>
Subject: Flint water problems

Dear Laura,

I am still waiting for your reply to the question I sent one October 27. See below.

[REDACTED]

On Oct 27, 2015, at 12:50 PM, [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear Laura,

Thank you for your reply. I'm very glad that all that can be done at this point, for the children of Flint, is being done.

I read your letter carefully and there is no explanation of the Governor's comment (on Flashpoint last Sunday) that the Flint water problem was caused by a vote of the Detroit City Council. This really puzzled me. I even relistened and indeed that's what he said. "Actually a vote of Detroit City Council that made the decision to leave Detroit sewer and water"

Did he misspeak?

Thank you,



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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Friday, November 20, 2015 8:03 AM
To: Murray, David (GOV)
Subject: Re: Information about Flint blood lead level testing results release
Attachments: image001.jpg

Thanks Dave- I'm very grateful for the inclusion!

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 19, 2015, at 7:15 PM, Murray, David (GOV) <MurrayD1@michigan.gov> wrote:

Laura,

This was sent to the governor for his information Thursday night. I expect changes – perhaps substantial changes – to the release, so not for sharing at this point.

Dave

Good evening Governor and team,

We're working with the Department of Health and Human Services on its release of blood lead level testing results, with some continuing discussions about messaging and timing. I've attached the draft press release, an informational graphic and talking points.

This is a challenging situation to be sure, but I think these results are fairly encouraging considering some of the heated rhetoric on this issue. We are discussing a "people first" approach to messaging, and perhaps issuing early next week rather than on at 9:30 a.m. on a Friday so it doesn't look like we are burying news.

In a nutshell:

- Blood lead level testing results released today revealed that 24 of 963 adults and children tested in Flint in October had elevated levels, according to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.
- MDHHS is working closely with the Genesee County Health Department to reach out to families testing with higher levels and help them reduce their exposure to lead sources.
- Information was gathered from tests administered citywide to 963 children and adults between October 1 and October 30. Eighteen people age 17 or younger had elevated blood lead levels. Six adults over the age 18 were identified with elevated blood lead levels.

- The testing and follow-up work is part of our action plan.

Dave Murray

Deputy Press Secretary | Executive Office of Governor Rick Snyder

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<Flint Water Talking Points 111915 V3.docx>

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 1:13 PM
To: Robinson, Judy (GOV); Kras, Jason (GOV); Weir, Elizabeth (GOV); Kica, Beata (GOV); Byrd, John (GOV)
Cc: Adamczyk, Lynne (GOV); Hartwell, Helen (GOV)
Subject: FW: Flint EBL Release & Documents
Attachments: Flint EBL Data Press Release V9.docx; Comms Plan - Flint EBL Data Summary 12315.docx; Flint Blood Lead Level Summary Report Dec.pdf

FYI- Please know some of these documents may change a little but given the release is planned for 2:00- please review

Thanks,

Laura

From: Murray, David (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 11:54 AM
To: Heaton, Anna (GOV) <HeatonA@michigan.gov>; Biehl, Laura (GOV) <BiehlL@michigan.gov>; Stoken, Laura (GOV) <StokenL@michigan.gov>; Paciorek, Josh (GOV) <PaciorekI@michigan.gov>; Sachs, Tori (GOV) <SachsT@michigan.gov>; Brown, Jessica (GOV) <BrownJ53@michigan.gov>; Kennedy, Jordan (GOV) <KennedyJ4@michigan.gov>
Subject: FW: Flint EBL Release & Documents

Team,

This is the most updated version of the DHHS press release and is likely to be released this afternoon. I'm hoping to reach Jarrod to confirm he and the Governor are comfortable with this.

Dave

From: Eisner, Jennifer (DHHS)
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 11:18 AM
To: Agen, Jarrod (GOV) <AgenJ@michigan.gov>; Baird, Richard (GOV) <bairdr@michigan.gov>; Murray, David (GOV) <MurrayD1@michigan.gov>; Wyant, Dan (DEQ) <WyantD@michigan.gov>; Wurfel, Brad (DEQ) <WurfelB@michigan.gov>; Tommasulo, Karen (DEQ) <TommasuloK@michigan.gov>; Lyon, Nick (DHHS) <LyonN2@michigan.gov>; Becker, Timothy (DHHS) <beckert1@michigan.gov>; Lasher, GERALYN (DHHS) <lasherg@michigan.gov>; Minicuci, Angela (DHHS) <MinicuciA@michigan.gov>; Kennedy, Jordan (GOV) <KennedyJ4@michigan.gov>; Grijalva, Nancy (DHHS) <GrijalvaN@michigan.gov>; Granger, Patricia (DHHS) <GrangerP@michigan.gov>
Subject: Flint EBL Release & Documents

Good morning, all:

Attached for your review please find the updated press release, communications plan and December summary report regarding elevated blood lead levels in Flint. We are planning to issue the release and post the report today at 2 p.m.

Yesterday, Dave sent over a two questions from the governor. Our team has provided the following responses:

Do the elevated lead levels stick with a person for life?

We do see blood lead levels decrease after education takes place and exposure to lead sources is reduced. The purpose of screening children for lead is to identify those with elevated levels. Removing potential sources of lead exposure and ensuring proper nutrition and healthcare leads to decreases in blood lead levels in follow-up testing, which is an important part of case management. Lead has a half-life in blood of approximately 25 days; in soft tissue, about 40 days; and in the non-labile portion of bone, more than 25 years.

Why do the lead levels spike on a seasonal basis?

When reviewing historical trend data, the risk of lead exposure is highest during the third quarter of each year – July through September. Seasonal variation is the result of a number of factors including increased exposure to lead in dust and soil in the summer months.

The notifications will be timed as follows:

1:30 p.m.

- Send final embargoed release and summary report to:
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 - Congress and legislature – Elizabeth Hertel

2 p.m.

- Issue press release and summary report
- Post press release and summary report to MDHHS website newsroom and Flint Water website, www.michigan.gov/flintwater

Please let me know if you have any additional questions, edits or concerns.

Thank you,

Jennifer Eisner

Public Information Officer

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

Office: 517-241-2112 or EisnerJ@michigan.gov





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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
December 3, 2015

CONTACT: Jennifer Eisner
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MDHHS releases latest data outlining blood lead levels in Flint
Follow-up care, case management resources continue for families

LANSING, Mich. – Preliminary data indicates that 30 of 1,361 adults and children tested in Flint since October 1 had elevated blood lead levels, according to a report issued today by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

This marks the first summary report on lead testing called for in the state's action plan related to health concerns about Flint's water infrastructure.

"Our goal is to help families reduce their exposure to lead sources," said Dr. Eden Wells, MDHHS chief medical executive. "We have made progress in testing and identifying those with elevated blood lead levels, and the department will continue to work closely with the Genesee County Health Department to reach these families. We will remain diligent in our ongoing outreach and education efforts."

Information comes from tests administered citywide to 1,361 children and adults since October 1. Tests showed that 21 of 969 children age 17 or younger and 9 of 392 adults over the age 18 were identified with elevated blood lead levels.

The report covers test results reported to MDHHS since the state action plan was put in place Oct. 2. It includes the number of tests and number of elevated blood lead levels greater than 5 micrograms per deciliter, and captures both capillary and venous blood tests that have been reported to MDHHS since the beginning of October. People who have had multiple tests are counted only once. Five micrograms per deciliter is the level that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention considers elevated and triggers health care professional follow up with families.

The full report is posted online at www.michigan.gov/flintwater and will be updated as more data becomes available.

When reviewing historical trend data, the risk of lead exposure is highest during the third quarter of each year – July through September. Seasonal variation is the result of a number of factors including increased exposure to lead in dust and soil in the summer months.

In the third quarter of 2010, 8.3 percent of Flint children 6 and under showed elevated blood lead levels. The figure gradually decreased to 4.1 percent in the third quarter of 2013. During the same months in 2014, the figure increased to 7.5 percent and decreased to 6.4 percent in the third quarter of 2015.

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Last month, MDHHS collaborated with the county health department and local partners to distribute educational resources and informational letters to Flint parents regarding lead testing. The state is providing funding for GCHD nurses to work with families when an elevated blood lead level has been detected. During these follow-up visits, nurses coordinate with environmental health investigators to meet with families in their homes to identify lead exposures, address questions and provide water filters. People can be exposed to lead from paint, soil, plumbing and other sources.

MDHHS continues to provide free water filters and replacement cartridges to Flint residents at four locations, including the MDHHS Flint offices and the Genesee County Community Action Resource Department. For a full list of locations and hours of distribution, visit www.michigan.gov/flintwater.

To help residents properly install water filters, and to demonstrate how to replace the original when it expires, MDHHS has created an instructional video on its [YouTube channel](#). For updates, visit www.michigan.gov/flintwater.

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Flint EBL Data Summary

Communications Plan

Purpose

To release elevated blood lead level data for the city of Flint and communicate the summary to our partners in the community as well as local and state media. The report is intended to inform residents about blood lead level testing efforts in Flint and provide preliminary cumulative numbers on an ongoing basis.

Communications Timeline – December 3, 2015

11 a.m.

- Send final release and summary report to Governor's office, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality

1:30 p.m.

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2 p.m.

- Issue press release and summary report
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3 p.m.

- Pitched media interviews with Dr. Eden Wells:
 - Ron Fonger, MLive
 - Kristi Tanner, Detroit Free Press
 - Robin Erb, Detroit Free Press
 - Steve Carmody, Michigan Radio

MDHHS Contacts – Office Number 517-241-2112

- Geralyn Lasher, cell – [REDACTED]
- Angela Minicuci, cell – [REDACTED]
- Jennifer Eisner, cell – [REDACTED]



Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS)

Blood Lead Level Test Results for Flint Zip Codes 48501-48507

Genesee County, and the State of Michigan

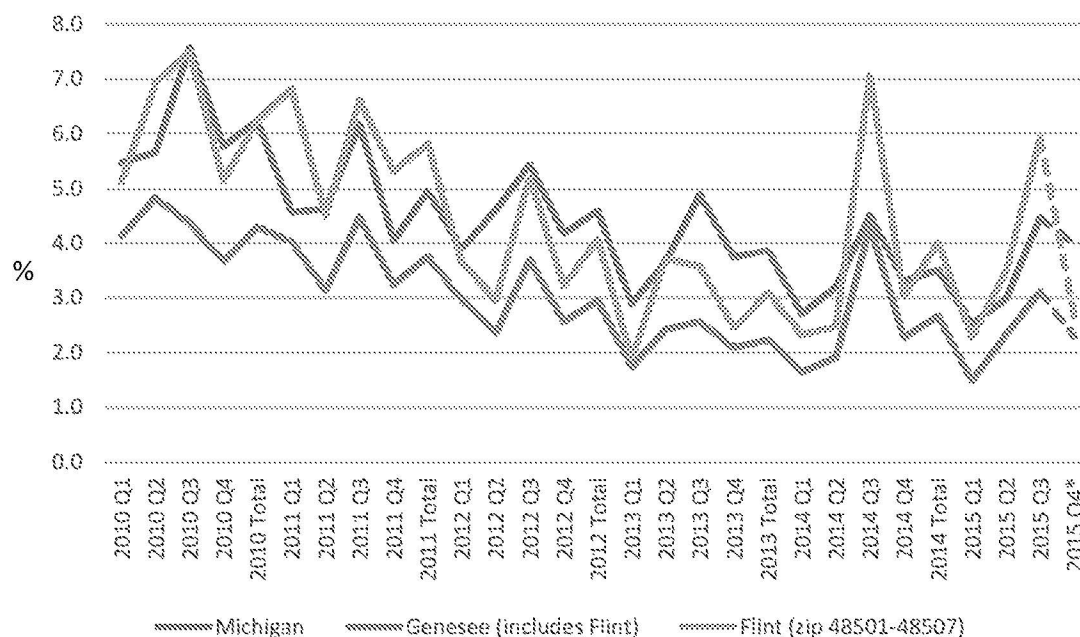
Summary as of November 13, 2015

Executive Summary

This report is generated by MDHHS to track Blood Lead Level test results in Flint, Michigan.

- Counts on this report include both capillary and venous blood tests. People who have had multiple tests are counted only once per year.
- Since 10/1/2015, an additional 1,361 people have been tested in Flint.
- Continued testing efforts by Genesee County Health Department, MDHHS and local medical personnel have identified 21 children with blood lead levels greater than or equal to 5µg/dL (micrograms per deciliter) since 10/1/2015.
- Three percent of the children younger than 6 years old tested since 10/1/2015 have had blood lead levels greater than or equal to 5µg/dL.
- Additional testing is ongoing. Counts will vary as new results are added.

Incidence of elevated blood lead ≥ 5 mcg/dl among children < 6 years of age by quarter, 2010- 2015



Deduplicated by year, retains test during the time period.

*Data for Q4 2015 are incomplete

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	Children younger than 6 Years Old			Children 6 to 17 Years Old		
	Michigan	Genesee County	Flint 48501-48507	Michigan	Genesee County	Flint 48501-48507
Total tested for lead 1/1/2010 to 12/31/2010:	152,608	6,932	3,560	17,963	867	463
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2010 to 12/31/10:	9,509	298	222	907	25	20
Total tested for lead from 1/1/2011 to 12/31/2011:	149,420	6,667	3,093	15,725	1,038	544
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2011 to 12/31/11:	7,392	250	180	651	20	15
Total tested for lead 1/1/2012 to 12/31/2012:	146,142	7,008	3,112	15,460	1,386	630
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2012 to 12/31/12:	6,704	206	127	478	17	12
Total tested for lead 1/1/2013 to 12/31/2013:	145,813	6,986	3,077	13,897	1,241	566
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2013 to 12/31/13:	5,647	156	95	342	9	4
Total tested for lead 1/1/2014 to 12/31/2014:	141,355	6,690	3,045	12,936	913	428
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2014 to 12/31/14:	4,948	178	122	386	6	5
Total tested for lead 1/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	120,699	5,778	2,704	10,841	1,197	765
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	4,200	149	101	309	10	8
Total tested for lead 10/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	14,593	957	560	1,412	502	409
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 10/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	583	22	15	38	6	6

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	Adults 18 Years and Older			Total Number of People of All Ages Tested		
	Michigan	Genesee County	Flint 48501-48507	Michigan	Genesee County	Flint 48501-48507
Total tested for lead 1/1/2010 to 12/31/2010:	13,853	602	195	184,424	8,401	4,218
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2010 to 12/31/10:	1,462	42	18	11,878	365	260
Total tested for lead 1/1/2011 to 12/31/2011:	13,259	542	139	178,404	8,247	2,726
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2011 to 12/31/11:	1,369	44	16	9,412	314	211
Total tested for lead 1/1/2012 to 12/31/2012:	13,059	556	155	174,661	8,950	3,907
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2012 to 12/31/12:	1,415	33	11	8,597	256	150
Total tested for lead 1/1/2013 to 12/31/2013:	12,199	498	136	171,909	8,725	3,779
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2013 to 12/31/13:	1,499	54	16	7,488	219	115
Total tested for lead 1/1/2014 to 12/31/2014:	12,684	441	112	166,975	8,044	3,585
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2014 to 12/31/14:	1,422	44	12	6,756	228	139
Total tested for lead 1/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	11,685	860	526	143,225	7,835	3,995
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 1/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	1,195	30	15	5,704	204	124
Total tested for lead 10/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	1,615	483	392	17,620	1,942	1,361
Number of test results $\geq 5\mu\text{g/dL}$ 10/1/2015 to 11/13/2015:	160	11	9	781	44	30

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From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Monday, December 07, 2015 8:14 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Is our Flint water now safe to drink?

Hi [REDACTED]

Residents can have their water tested by calling 810-787-6537 and pressing 1, or emailing flintwater@cityofflint.com. The DEQ is covering the cost of this testing.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Laura Stoken

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, December 05, 2015 7:44 AM
To: Stoken, Laura (GOV) <Stokenl@michigan.gov>
Subject: Is our Flint water now safe to drink?

Please let me know. Thanks.

From: Laura Stoken [<mailto:stokenl@michigan.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 12:27 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Executive Office of the Governor

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your recent correspondence sent to Governor Rick Snyder regarding the water in Flint. As a member of Governor Snyder's staff, I am responding on his behalf.

Governor Snyder announced a comprehensive action plan created with state, federal and city leaders to address concerns about drinking water. Governor Snyder said "Flint residents need to have access to safe, clean, water now and long into the future." The water leaving Flint's drinking water system is safe to drink, but some families with lead plumbing in their homes or service connections could experience higher levels of lead in the water that comes out of their faucets.

The action plan focuses on increasing water testing, offering additional precautions for families with lead plumbing in their homes, and providing long-term solutions to address the city's water infrastructure challenges. The plan was created at the Governor's direction by the Michigan Departments of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and Health and Human Services (DHHS), the U.S.

Environmental Protection Agency, and the city of Flint. This action plan builds upon ongoing work with local, state and federal agencies and our partnership with city and community leaders. Together, we are working to ensure that all Flint residents have accurate information and know that help is available to address potential problems.

The city and the state also are working together to gather more data to ensure the water that leaves the treatment plant as well as the water that arrives in Flint homes is safe for all residents. The plan includes:

- Testing in Flint public schools immediately to ensure that drinking water is safe, with testing also available at no cost to any other school in Flint.
- Offering free water testing to Flint residents to assure their drinking water is safe.
- Providing free water filters to residents.
- Expanding health exposure testing of individual homes.
- Accelerating corrosion controls in the Flint drinking water system.
- Accelerating water system improvements to address replacing lead service lines.
- Expediting the completion of the Karegnondi Water Authority pipeline.
- Expanding a Safe Drinking Water Technical Advisory Committee to ensure the best technology, practices and science are being followed by adding an expert from the Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Research and Development to the group.
- Naming Dr. Eden Wells, chief medical executive for the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, as the Flint drinking water public health adviser.
- Boosting a comprehensive lead education program to make sure residents have detailed information about how to protect themselves and their homes.

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To ensure safe drinking water, the state of Michigan is providing water filters for free. Freewater filters will be available to current Michigan Department of Health and Human Services clients and Flint residents at four locations beginning Tuesday, October 6, at 9 a.m. through a partnership between the MDHHS and the Genesee County Community Action Resource Department. Free National Sanitation Foundation certified water filters are being provided to Flint residents as part of the administration's comprehensive approach to addressing water concerns in the area.

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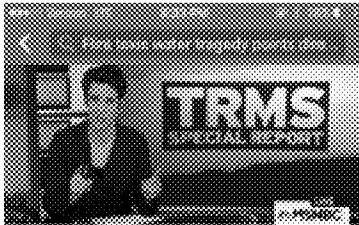
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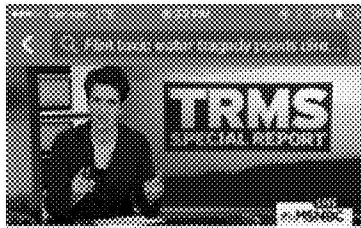
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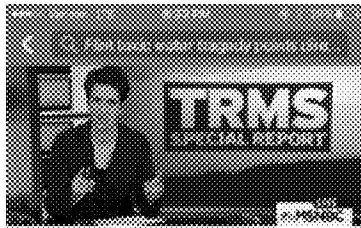


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To: Quebbeman, Marsha (GOV)
Subject: RE: Lunch Today

I'm hoping I can get away today- I am anticipating getting slammed due to the Rachel Maddow (MSNBC) show that ran over the weekend regarding Flint Water....

I'll play it by ear but wanted to give you the heads up....

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Sent: Monday, December 21, 2015 7:45 AM
To: Adamczyk, Lynne (GOV) <adamczykL@michigan.gov>; Hartwell, Helen (GOV) <HartwellH1@michigan.gov>; Manolakoudis, Virginia (GOV) <ManolakoudisV@michigan.gov>; Ball, Melissa (GOV) <BallM3@michigan.gov>; Leigh, Jessica (GOV) <LeighJ1@michigan.gov>; Hamel, Sarah (GOV) <HamelS1@michigan.gov>; Wells, Caitlin (GOV) <WellsC3@michigan.gov>; Beeler, Judi (GOV) <BeelerJ1@michigan.gov>; Anthony, Zachary (GOV) <AnthonyZ@michigan.gov>; Stoken, Laura (GOV) <StokenL@michigan.gov>
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Reservations are at 11:45 at Bravo's under my name. Looking forward to seeing everyone there.

Marsha

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To: Murray, David (GOV)
Cc: Holland, Meegan (GOV); Biehl, Laura (GOV); Heaton, Anna (GOV)
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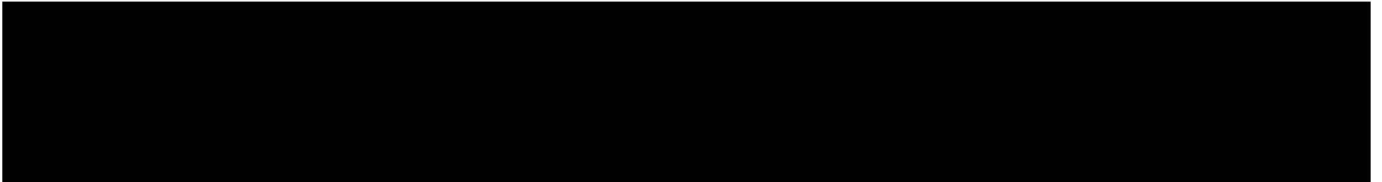
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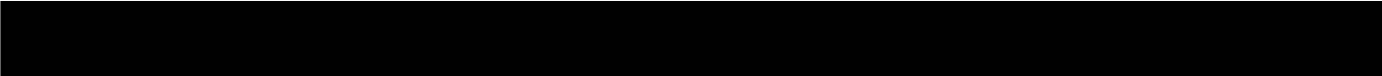
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- 3) Flint Water remain the same talking points- I did update the workflow last week- although it does not directly speak to Rachel Maddow please familiarize yourself
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- 6) You can call/ e-mail me anytime as I am free

That's all I can think of at this point- please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions or concerns...

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